



Annual Report

TOWN OF

READING

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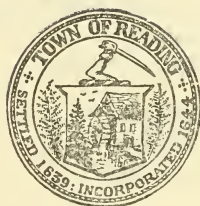
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER

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OF THE TOWN OFFICERS

For The Year Ended December

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TOWN OFFICERS

1953

Board of Selectmen

KENNETH C. LATHAM, Chairman	Term Expires	1954
G. LAWRENCE ROBERTS, Secretary	" "	1956
JAMES E. CALVIN	" "	1955

Board of Public Welfare

NEWELL H. MORTON, Chairman	Term Expires	1956
DANIEL L. CHAMBERLAIN, Secretary	" "	1955
*GWENDOLYN H. NEWHOUSE	" "	1954
EDWARD E. HARNDEN, Welfare Agent		
GLADYS M. WILSON, Social Worker		
†DONALD C. McKIE		

Bureau of Old Age Assistance

NEWELL H. MORTON, Chairman	Term Expires	1956
*GWENDOLYN H. NEWHOUSE, Secretary	" "	1954
DANIEL L. CHAMBERLAIN	" "	1955
EDWARD E. HARNDEN, Director		
RUTH C. CORBETT, Social Worker		
VIRGINIA C. SMITH, Social Worker		
†DONALD C. McKIE		

Board of Assessors

HAROLD B. CURRELL, Chairman	Term Expires	1956
RALPH T. HORN, Secretary	" "	1955
LEON G. BENT	" "	1954

Town Counsel

SAMUEL H. DAVIS

Town Clerk

BOYD H. STEWART

Treasurer

PRESTON F. NICHOLS

Moderator

CHARLES P. HOWARD

Town Accountant

BOYD H. STEWART

Town Collector

WILLIAM E. MORRISON

Personnel Board

HAROLD L. JONES, Chairman
G. LAWRENCE ROBERTS
EMERSON A. WILLARD
BOYD H. STEWART, Secretary

Director, Veterans' Service — Veterans' Benefits Agent

CHARLES W. H. SMITH

Board of Public Works

HARRY R. WALKER, Chairman	Term Expires	1954
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary	" "	1954
KENNETH R. JOHNSON	" "	1955
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.	" "	1955
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.	" "	1956

Board of Health

CHARLES R. BAISLEY, M.D., Chairman	Term Expires	1956
CHRISTINE F. ATKINSON, Secretary	" "	1954
EDWARD M. HALLIGAN, M.D.	" "	1955

Finance Committee

CARL H. AMON, JR., Chairman	Term Expires	1954
LOUIS DAVIS	" "	1954
CLEMENT T. GLEASON	" "	1954
WILLIAM F. MURPHY	" "	1954
CHARLES STRATTON	" "	1954
EVERETT H. BROMLEY	" "	1955
ERNEST E. GALLANT	" "	1955
SAMUEL J. MALONE	" "	1955
*EARLE D. MARTIN	" "	1955
EMERSON A. WILLARD	" "	1955
JOSHUA T. DAY	" "	1956
CHARLES P. ANDERSON	" "	1956
WALTER M. FOWLER	" "	1956
WILLIAM D. MacKINNON	" "	1956
CARL B. PITMAN	" "	1956
†JOHN R. KAY	" "	1955
BOYD H. STEWART, Clerk		

School Committee

PHILIP R. WHITE, Chairman	Term Expires	1956
ARTHUR B. LORD, JR., Secretary		
NEWELL H. MORTON	" "	1956
ROBERT E. TURNER	" "	1954
JOHN L. GRIFFIN	" "	1954
GLADYS F. MILTON	" "	1955
ALEXANDER P. GLOVER	" "	1955

School Physician

ER CHANG PING, M.D.

Superintendent of Schools

ARTHUR B. LORD, JR.

Attendance Officer

ROBERT A. GRUNDY

School Nurse

MARGARET B. CLEWLEY

*Resigned

†Appointed to fill vacancy

Municipal Light Board

ALFRED H. DOLBEN, Chairman	Term Expires	1954
FRANK D. TANNER, Secretary	" "	1955
DONALD L. MILLER	" "	1956

Board of Registrars

ROBERT S. RALSTON, Chairman	Term Expires	1956
†WALTER A. SCANLON, Secretary	" "	1955
LOUIS BACIGALUPO	" "	1954
†JOHN J. WALSH		
BOYD H. STEWART, Clerk		

Board of Cemetery Trustees

FRED L. NUTTER, Chairman	Term Expires	1955
DAVID E. HERSEE, Secretary	" "	1956
M. RUSSELL MEIKLE	" "	1956
WILLIAM P. PIERPONT	" "	1955
EDOUARD N. DUBE	" "	1954
ERNEST E. BROWN	" "	1954

Planning Board

A. LLOYD DAVID, Chairman	Term Expires	1955
ROBERT G. CLINCH, Secretary	" "	1955
CHARLES WILSON	" "	1954
A. ERNEST CORINDIA	" "	1956
BENJAMIN M. HARTSHORN, JR.	" "	1956

Board of Library Trustees

SYDNEY M. HODSON, Chairman	Term Expires	1955
NEIL C. ROBINSON, Secretary	" "	1956
WILLIAM J. TONKS	" "	1954
KATHERINE C. PIERCE	" "	1954
C. NELSON BISHOP	" "	1955
H. IRENE LATHAM	" "	1956

Commissioners of Trust Funds

ROBERT M. BROWN, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
H. RAYMOND JOHNSON	" "	1955
JOSEPH B. IVERSON	" "	1957

Town Treasurer and Chairman of Selectmen members ex-officiis

Board of Appeal

ERNEST L. NIGRO, Chairman	Term Expires	1955
LAWRENCE A. INGHAM, Secretary	" "	1955
*RICHARD JACKSON	" "	1954
†FORREST D. COOK	" "	1954

Associate Members Board of Appeal

RUSSELL L. MILLER	" "	1956
GERALD E. FOSBROKE	" "	1954
QUINCY A. LOTHROP, III	" "	1955

Sealer of Weights and Measures

CARL M. SMITH

Inspector of Milk and Foods

CARL M. SMITH

Inspector of Plumbing

KENNETH G. SHAW

Inspector of Animals

GARDINER A. LESTER, D.V.M.

Inspector of Buildings

HAROLD B. CURRELL

Game Warden

JAMES T. PUTNAM

Superintendent of Moth Work

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

Dog Officer

WILLIAM H. DEWSNAP

Tree Warden

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

Custodian of Soldiers and Sailors Graves

HAROLD F. DAVIS

Forest Warden

CHIEF HUGH L. EAMES

Deputy Forest Wardens

Deputy Chief, JAMES S. PERRY

Capt. HERBERT L. ROBERTSON

Lieut. GEORGE W. GOODRIDGE

Lieut. DONALD C. MITCHELL

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

JOHN A. SPURR

Constables

JAMES T. PUTNAM

ARTHUR L. HARRIS

Insurance Committee

Consists of Board of Selectmen, Town Treasurer, and
Chairman of Finance Committee

Contributory Retirement Board

DONALD C. MITCHELL, Chairman

BOYD H. STEWART, Secretary

ARTHUR C. ALDRICH

Law Committee

Consists of Chairmen of the following Boards:

Board of Selectmen

Board of Assessors

Board of Health

Board of Public Welfare

School Committee

Board of Public Works

Municipal Light Board

*Resigned

†Appointed to fill vacancy

‡Deceased

Police Department
ROLAND E. ELLIS, Chief

Sergeants

THOMAS J. FITZPATRICK	WILLIAM H. FAULKNER
EDWARD M. HUBBARD	

Patrolmen

FRANK R. FISHER	WINFRED A. MacDONALD, JR.
HAROLD W. O'BRIEN	WILLIAM J. WEBB, JR.
JOSEPH M. GREENE	JOHN A. BILICKI
PATRICK J. PANTANO	PHILLIP N. CAIL
WILLIAM H. DEWSNAP	HERBERT G. PERRY
GEORGE A. LeFAVE	JOSEPH W. CORMIER
JAMES E. HOWARD	ROBERT N. HOWE
FREDERICK J. KEEFE	EVAN P. EDWARDS
JOHN L. POWER	LEONARD P. HOYT
ROLAND E. ELLIS, JR.	FRED GRANELLI, JR.

Keeper of the Lock-Up

ROLAND E. ELLIS

Clerk

J. ROBERT CLARK

Special Police Officers

ROBERT A. VARS	Maintenance Supervisor
W. RAY YORKS	Senior High School
WILLIAM A. BROUSSARD	Senior High School
FRED RIESSLE	Junior High School
ANDREW J. LOMAX	Junior High School
FRED GIBSON	Junior High School
STUART NICHOLS	Eaton School
GEORGE REES	Eaton School
WILLIAM LLOYD	Lowell St. School
DANIEL BUCKLEY	Highland School
RICHARD MacBRIEN, JR.	Highland School
EDWARD HARRISON	Pearl St. School
ROY BROGAN	Pearl St. School
HENRY GROMYKO	Bus Driver
RALPH PLOUFF	Methodist Church
EDWARD E. HARDEN	Centre School Building
CHARLES E. LANGDON	Odd Fellows Building
HENRY O. BALLOU	Municipal Bldg., Masonic Bldg., Sanborn Apts.
EDWARD TEER	Library
WILLIAM N. RICHARDS	Middlesex County National Bank
JAMES T. PUTNAM	Reading Rifle and Revolver Club, Public Works
CARL W. PINKHAM	Reading Rifle and Revolver Club
WILLIAM H. MILLER	Public Works
MAURICE H. DONEGAN	Town Forest
ARTHUR G. REES	Victory House
ROBERT P. SMITH	Victory House

HARRY A. TURNER
RALPH E. WILSON
J. ROBERT CLARK
HAROLD F. DAVIS
HUGH L. EAMES
JOHN L. GOODRIDGE
WALTER L. ALLEN
HORACE A. AUSTIN
CHESTER A. COOK
JAMES H. MADDEN

First Baptist Church
V.F.W. Quarters
Police Station
Cemeteries
Fire Department
Traffic Control
Traffic Control
Traffic Control
Traffic Control
St. Agnes Church

Fire Department

Permanent Firemen

Chief, HUGH L. EAMES

Deputy Chief, JAMES S. PERRY

Captain, HERBERT L. ROBERTSON

Lieutenant, GEORGE W. GOODRIDGE

Lieutenant, DONALD C. MITCHELL

CLIFFORD E. LITCHFIELD

LESLIE C. HADLEY

ROBERT W. SHANNON

ELMER A. DYKENS, JR.

GEORGE F. FOGG

WILLIAM R. VAN HORN

ROBERT H. THOMAS

RICHARD D. BROWN

ROBERT W. PRATT

LESLIE L. HADLEY

HERBERT J. HUTCHINSON

RUSSELL E. CARTER

ELMER W. MOORE

GERALD W. HUMPHREY

THEODORE W. TURNER, JR.

Call Firemen

JOSEPH ARSENAULT

HENRY O. BALLOU

ROBERT L. BALLOU

DANIEL J. BUCKLEY

HOWARD E. BUSSELL

EVERETT G. CARROLL

†THEODORE J. deBRUYN

MYLES A. DENNO

†JOHN F. ENOS

DeMELLE G. GAREY

JAMES R. GAW

EARL W. HOBART

IVAR F. JOHNSON

*JAMES R. MERCER

\$H. HARVEY QUIGLEY

HERMAN L. RIESSLE

GEORGE G. ROGERS

F. LIONEL SPRINGFORD

JOHN A. SPURR

ERNEST R. WATSON

GEORGE S. ZANNI

ROBERT M. GRAHAM

Dispatcher

JOHN L. GOODRIDGE

Superintendent of Fire Alarm

HUGH L. EAMES

*Resigned

§Retired

†Appointed to fill vacancies

Inspector of Wires

GEORGE F. FOGG

Measurers of Lumber

HAROLD B. CURRELL

FRED F. SMITH

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

Measurers of Wood and Bark

‡PERCY N. SWEETSER

HAROLD B. CURRELL

THOMAS E. BROGAN

Weighers of Coal and Hay

THOMAS E. BROGAN

MABEL L. MacKAY

BERTHA L. MacLELLAN

‡PERCY N. SWEETSER

WENDELL B. NEWELL

D. GEORGE GAW

MOLLIE A. SWEETSER

Field Drivers

ERNEST T. WAKEFIELD

JAMES T. PUTNAM

Fence Viewers

WENDELL B. NEWELL

CARL B. SAWYER

WARREN F. CHARLES

Committee on Elm Tree Protection

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

JOHN F. SAWYER

MARION V. HARRINGTON

Committee on Town Forests

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

HUGH L. EAMES

Capital Expenditures Planning Committee

CHARLES E. WILSON, Chairman

GEORGE R. BARRIS

LAWRENCE A. CATE, Secretary

STANLEY F. MAXWELL

ERNEST E. GALLANT

JOHN R. KAY

Recreation Committee

NEWELL H. MORTON, Chairman

ROBERT E. TURNER

C. SUMNER TEEL, Secretary

JAMES E. CALVIN

HARRY R. WALKER

CARL W. PINKHAM

REV. JOSEPH H. GIUNTA

‡Deceased

STATISTICS

Area, 10 square miles

Population, census of 1950, 14,006

Registered Voters: Precinct No. 1, 1,883; Precinct No. 2, 2,097; Precinct
No. 3, 1,786; Precinct No. 4, 2,357; Total, 8,123

Eighth Congressional District

Sixth Councillor District

Seventh Middlesex Senatorial District

Eighteenth Middlesex Representative District

Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex held in Woburn

Representative in Congress, 8th District, Angier L. Goodwin, Melrose

Councillor 6th District, M. Edward Viola, Arlington

Senator 7th Middlesex District, George J. Evans, Wakefield

Representatives 18th Middlesex District, Frank D. Tanner, Reading, and
Charles E. Wilkinson, Reading

TOWN OF READING

List of Jurors for 1953-1954

Prepared by the Board of Selectmen

Name	Occupation	Residence
Bacigalupo, Mary B.,	Housewife	19 Woburn St.
Bangs, Edward E.,	Heating Engineer	27 California Rd.
Barnes, Gordon E.,	Electrician	19 Lawrence Rd.
Barney, Howard V.,	Survey Super.	62 King St.
Batty, Charles A.,	Salesman	113 Haverhill St.
Beaman, Stanley H.,	President	206 Woburn St.
Belzer, Edwin, Gen.	Elect.	60 Haverhill St.
Berry, Walter D.,	Supervisor	26 Virginia Rd.
Bigelow, Frances M.,	At Home	43 Oak Ridge Rd.
Bigelow, Kenneth A.,	Locomotive Fireman	14 D St.
Blake, Thomas J.,	Salesman	67 Belmont St.
Bromley, Everett H.,	Salesman	235 Summer Ave.
Buck, Robert H.,	Accountant	30 Dudley St.
Buckler, Harold E.,	Insurance	194 Summer Ave.
Burley, Albert M.,	Transportation	219 Pearl St.
Camacho, Manuel F.,	Grill Man	73 Bancroft Ave.
Campbell, Allison L.,	Accountant	175 Forest St.
Chadwick, Norman S.,	Retired	930 Main St.
Chamberlain, Raymond E.,	Salesman	19 Cape Cod Ave.
Cochrane, Doris G.,	Housewife	26 County Rd.
Collette, Richard L.,	Res. Physicist	57 Woburn St.
Coolidge, Frank O.,	Clerk	64 Village St.
Coombs, Walter J.,	Milk Salesman	10 Criterion Rd.
Cooper, J. Donald,	Salesman	522 West St.
Cowan, Robert F.,	Traffic Mgr.	14 Grant St.
Crosby, Hilda G.,	Clerk	17 Beech St.
Croswell, Ray R.,	Test Man	52 Hancock St.
Crouse, Mahlon D.,	Accountant	26 Berkeley St.
Curtis, Grace C.,	Trust Officer	22 Orchard Park Drive
Cutler, Walter C.,	Bus Driver	84 Forest St.
Dalton, George W.,	Vault Erector	97 Summer Ave.
David, A. Lloyd,	Bank Officer	70 Howard St.
Davis, Thomas R.,	Carpenter	753 Pearl St.
DeSilvio, John,	Bricklayer	52 Mt. Vernon St.
Devaney, John E.,	Salesman	15 Ellis Ave.
Dodge, Helen E.,	Housewife	21 Echo Ave.
Domin, Dorothea E.,	Nurse	23 Warren Ave.
Douglass, William H.,	Manager	42 Tamarack Rd.
Dow, John A.,	Mech. Eng.	30 Priscilla Rd.
Dresser, William R.,	Bank Teller	7 Pine Ridge Rd.
Dugan, George R.,	Milk Salesman	145 Washington St.
Eaton, Roger P.,	Bank Clerk	22 Echo Ave.
Englund, Thurston C.,	Engineer	47 Mt. Vernon St.
Everett, Donald S.,	Engineer	17 Indiana Ave.

Galvin, Joseph L., Serv. Mgr.	12 Woodbine St.
Garey, DeMelle G., Map Moulder	15 Hopkins St.
Gaw, Kenneth E., Clerk	3 Village St.
Gleason, Clement T., Bank Clerk	53 Prescott St.
Godfrey, Lillian G., Housewife	32 Scotland Rd.
Greene, William J., Machinist	7 Warren Ave.
Gullam, Gordon A., Purch. Agent	71 Highland St.
Halloran, Martin J., Jr., Bank Clerk	22 Prescott St.
Harding, George N., Civil Eng.	46 Prescott St.
Hatch, William H., Retired	29 Gardner Rd.
Higgins, Claude A., Free Lance Writer	32 Dudley St.
Hirtle, Clayton N., Cost Acct.	20 George St.
Howe, Hallett D., Jr., Supt.	133 Walnut St.
Jefferson, M. Tennyson, Inspector	175 Lowell St.
Johnson, Ethel F., Housewife	15 Woodward Ave.
Johnson, Walter C., Executive	39 Berkeley St.
Jones, Harold L., Asst. Mgr.	348 South St.
Keaveny, Thomas F., Retired	6 Willard Rd.
Kendrick, Edward R., Draftsman	40 Orange St.
Knight, Alfred S., Salesman	229 West St.
Knowles, Edmund F., Supt.	9 Warren Ave.
Leary, Phillip F., Manager	39 Hillside Rd.
Leighton, Robert P., Engineer	220 Charles St.
Lindsay, John E., Clerk	79 Grand St.
Look, Sidney L., Const. Eng.	52 Bear Hill Rd.
Lothrop, Ruth S., Housewife	13 Longfellow Rd.
Lovering, Homer F., Salesman	25 Lincoln St.
Lowe, Horace P., Bank Teller	21 Pine Ridge Rd.
Luscombe, Harry C., Credit Mgr.	63 Belmont St.
MacKenzie, Archibald A., Salesman	51 Hartshorn St.
Marr, George F., Manager	4 Kingston St.
Maxwell, John I., Bank Teller	18 Belmont St.
McCullion, John, Salesman	22 West Hill Circle
McCullough, Helen D., At Home	36 Chute St.
McHugh, John T., Manager	80 John Carver Rd.
McKinnon, John R., Electronics	165 South St.
Merrill, Frank M., Mortgage Broker	88 Prescott St.
Messier, Francis G., Salesman	7 Temple St.
Miller, Herbert K., Bank Teller	23 Fairview Ave.
Milley, Eldon B., Shipper	9 Swan Rd.
Milley, Jethro, Perfume Maker	9 Harold Ave.
Mixer, Charles A., Engineer	264 Ash St.
Moore, Clyde A., Struct. Steel	31 Curtis St.
Murphy, William F., Salesman	3 Fielding Rd.
Nelson, Harley C., Chemical Eng.	60 Bancroft Ave.
Nordstrom, John S., Shipper	8 A St.
Noyes, Sumner C., Machinist	22 Glen Rd.
Oliver, George J., Sales Eng.	13 Middle St.
Packard, Dana L., Medical Rep.	101 Lowell St.
Page, Paul S., Credit Mgr.	133 Prospect St.

Palmer, Edward W., Public Rel.	12 Willow St.
Parker, Harrison B., Metallurgist	18 Elliott St.
Parkman, Laress T., Sales Eng.	63 Locust St.
Paul, Theodore L., Inspector	83 Cross St.
Phinney, John L., Retired	49 Chute St.
Pitman, Harold I., Wholesaler	144 Haverhill St.
Poehler, Arnold F., Electrician	34 Winter St.
Porter, Henry Y., Accountant	276 Summer Ave.
Powell, Albert W., Truck Driver	13 Martin Rd.
Pratt, Richard A., Painter	22 Union St.
Rackle, William H., Investigator	56 Prospect St.
Reed, Samuel L., Salesman	5 Coolidge Rd.
Richards, Arthur B., Salesman	31 Mt. Vernon St.
Richards, John F., Supervisor	36 Chestnut Rd.
Richardson, Raymond C., Salesman	35 Pine Ridge Rd.
Rooney, George, B. & M. R.R.	12 Center Ave.
Rousseau, William G., Chem. Eng.	4 Laneton Way
Rowe, Ernest Y., Asst. Manager	419 Haverhill St.
Sampson, Donald K., Engineer	12 Priscilla Rd.
Sampson, Earl F., Auditor	10 Orchard Park Drive
Sawin, George W., Div. Mgr.	51 Walnut St.
Schoppelry, Marjorie L., Housewife	130 Woburn St.
Sharp, George H., Prod. Planning	125 Summer Ave.
Small, Norman B., Jr., Manager	536 Haverhill St.
Smith, Mary V., Housewife	22 Scotland Rd.
Smith, Raymond L., Foreman	9 Parker St.
Smith, Virginia C., Social Worker	273 Haverhill St.
Snow, Everett S., Supt.	62 Belmont St.
Spurr, Winfred F., Sales Mgr.	29 Perkins Ave.
Steele, Earle G., Real Estate Broker	84 Prescott St.
Stewart, Jasper D., Accountant	33 Wescroft Rd.
Sturges, Eric B., Banker	66 Winthrop Ave.
Sweetser, Allen A., Asst. Sales Mgr.	63 Pine Ridge Rd.
Tasney, Florence E., Housewife	21 Sanborn St.
Taylor, Edward J., Estate Dist.	232 High St.
Tennett, Gordon W., Insurance	19 Hartshorn St.
Tine, Albert, Elect. Helper	337 Ash St.
Tonks, Anne D., Housewife	3 Copeland Ave.
Tonseth, Richard G., Adv. Salesman	52 Highland St.
Tormey, John F., Foreman	57 Dividence Rd.
Twombly, Norman, Bookkeeper	18 Gould St.
Vidito, Francis E., Technician	659 Haverhill St.
Vincent, F. Raymond, Salesman	8 Gilmore Ave.
Weeks, Sumner C., Salesman	38 Hillcrest Rd.
Wells, Walter A., Retired	49 Oak Ridge Rd.
Whelpley, George E., R.R. Fr. Rep.	430 West St.
White, Melvin A., Comp. Man	14 Green St.
Williamson, Joseph, Compositor	65 Prescott St.
Windsor, Edward D., Bank Officer	265 Ash St.
Winsor, Gordon D., Salesman	3 Gilmore Ave.
Zagorski, Stephen S., Bus. Mgr.	320 Haverhill St.

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

Security Hall

March 2, 1953

Pursuant to the warrant and the Constable's Return thereon, a Town Election was held at the time and place specified in the Warrant.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 A. M. by the Moderator, Charles P. Howard.

The warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk, when on motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to dispense with the further reading of the warrant except the Constable's Return, which was then read by the Town Clerk.

The ballot boxes were examined by the Constable in charge and each found to be empty, and all registered 000.

The polls were declared open by Charles P. Howard, with the following results.

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Total
Moderator for one year					
Charles P. Howard	354	432	357	421	1564
Blanks	54	64	45	39	202
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766
Town Clerk for one year					
Boyd H. Stewart	363	448	362	415	1588
Blanks	45	48	40	45	178
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766
Selectman for three years					
Eugene S. Blanchard	205	166	151	202	742
G. Lawrence Roberts	175	310	234	240	959
Blanks	28	20	17	18	83
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766
Board of Public Welfare for three years					
Newell H. Morton	372	447	368	425	1612
Blanks	36	49	34	35	154
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766
Assessor for three years					
Harold B. Currell	327	400	343	389	1459
Blanks	81	96	59	71	307
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766

Treasurer for one year

Preston F. Nichols	361	441	365	419	1586
Blanks	47	55	37	41	180
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766

Municipal Light Board for three years

Donald L. Miller	347	426	348	406	1527
Blanks	61	70	54	54	239
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766

Two Constables for one year

Henry O. Ballou	147	120	127	143	537
William H. Faulkner, Jr.	201	139	96	150	586
Robert A. Grundy	65	116	76	66	323
Arthur L. Harris	176	308	255	241	980
James T. Putnam	121	196	171	230	718
Blanks	106	113	79	90	388
Totals	816	992	804	920	3532

Board Public Works (3 yrs.)

Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.	325	411	331	384	1451
Blanks	83	85	71	76	315
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766

Board of Public Works (2 yrs.)

Kenneth R. Johnson	333	419	333	398	1483
Blanks	75	77	69	62	283
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766

Board of Health (3 yrs.)

Charles R. Baisley	359	434	355	415	1563
Blanks	49	62	47	45	203
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766

Two for School Committee (3 yrs.)

Newell H. Morton	305	396	336	367	1404
Clara N. Ralston	167	162	119	155	603
Philip R. White	201	301	243	254	999
Frances Welch (Sticker)	47	47	57	54	205
Blanks	96	86	49	90	321
Totals	816	992	804	920	3532

Two Library Trustees (3 yrs.)

H. Irene Latham	338	419	345	398	1500
Neil C. Robinson	343	419	346	405	1513
Blanks	134	154	113	118	519
Totals	815	992	804	921	3532

Two Cemetery Trustees (3 years)

David E. Hersee	339	417	350	401	1507
M. Russell Meikle	341	415	351	399	1506
Blanks	136	160	103	120	519
Totals	816	992	804	920	3532

Two for Planning Board (3 yrs.)

A. Ernest Corindia	203	191	167	224	785
Edward C. Emslie	176	138	144	191	649
John B. Harker	137	265	145	183	730
Benjamin M. Hartshorn, Jr.	167	226	245	200	838
Blanks	133	172	103	122	530
Totals	816	992	804	920	3532

Tree Warden for three years

Maurice H. Donegan	361	430	359	422	1572
Blanks	47	66	43	38	194
Totals	408	496	402	460	1766

Precinct 1**Fifteen Town Meeting Members for three years**

Leon G. Bent, 773 Main St.	243
Ernest E. Brown, 76 Pearl St.	304
Philip J. Clough, 16 Gardner Rd.	244
Charles H. Easton, 30 Wakefield St.	242
R. Tracy Eddinger, 40 Wakefield St.	182
Louis Ellenwood, 46 Pleasant St.	235
Donald B. Ellingwood, 9 Gardner Rd.	258
Francis C. Emmons, Jr., 1 North St.	161
Walter M. Fowler, 38 Fairmount Rd.	248
James J. Jellison, 53 Salem St.	210
Daniel McBride, 23 Elliott St.	166
William H. Miller, 293 Haverhill St.	240
Carl W. Pinkham, 128 Pleasant St.	266
Edith J. Platt, 9 Smith Ave.	205
Arthur G. Rees, 268 Haven St.	182
Robert P. Smith, 28 Village St.	207
Robert F. Spousta, 52 Wakefield St.	119
Kenneth D. Sumner, 71 Salem St.	254
Raymond H. Swain, 428 South St.	184
Jack T. Turner, 221 Pleasant St.	268
Frank B. Welin, 43 Harrison St.	146
Blanks	1556
Total	6120

Town Meeting Member for two years

Albert G. Berberian, 66 Libby Ave.	53
Gordon F. Frey, 26 Wakefield St.	90
Ernest C. Metcalf, 142 Salem St.	144
Andrew Mulhinch, 48 Bear Hill Rd.	33
Blanks	88
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Total	408

Town Meeting Member for one year

Barbara E. Summer, 71 Salem St.	317
Blanks	91
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Total	408

Precinct 2**Fifteen Town Meeting Members for three years**

Percy E. Anderson, 174 Prescott St.	366
Edward F. Appleton, 24 Wentworth Rd.	163
W. Franklin Burnham, Jr., 106 Oak St.	326
Frank C. Cate, Jr., 201 West St.	307
Ruth W. Currier, 10 Vista Ave.	255
A. Lloyd David, 70 Howard St.	289
William G. Denhard, 25 Springvale Rd.	136
Francis R. Foxcroft, 100 Prescott St.	314
Alexander P. Glover, 158 Prescott St.	318
Samuel H. Grammer, Jr., 28 Lewis St.	139
Roy E. Hatfield, 19 Oak St.	303
Earl W. Hobart, 182 Main St.	331
Walter S. Hopkins, Jr., 472 Summer Ave.	380
Stanley F. Maxwell, 46 Pinevale Ave.	219
Florence G. Nichols, 109 Prescott St.	337
Charles E. Parker, 57 Pine Ridge Rd.	275
Carl B. Pitman, 23 Oak St.	292
Ernest R. Poor, 257 South St.	183
Herbert M. Rixon, 63 Oak Ridge Rd.	154
Charles K. Spalding, 124 Walnut St.	191
Charles Stratton, 117 Oak St.	335
Edward J. Sullivan, Jr., 4 Glenmere Circle	103
Harry R. Walker, 33 Curtis St.	251
Blanks	1473
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Total	6120

Precinct 3**Fifteen Town Meeting Members for three years**

Donald B. Burkhardt, 33 Plymouth Rd.	129
Natalie Burnham, 189 Woburn St.	215
Daniel L. Chamberlain, 116 Lowell St.	271
Edward L. Cornwall, 10 Pilgrim Rd.	181

George E. Curtis, 58 Grand St.	298
Louis Davis, 8 Vine St.	287
Francis H. Doughty, 25 Berkeley St.	209
Charles H. Edgar, Jr., 272 High St.	141
Quincy Adams Lothrop, II, 6 Harriman Ave.	262
Edward J. Maher, 77 Summer Ave.	109
John W. Marzinzik, 131 Willow St.	74
William E. Morrison, 6 Pilgrim Rd.	296
Donald H. Morse, 18 Bond St.	281
Frederick L. Moulton, 10 Bond St.	195
Maurice O. Reebeacker, 51 Temple St.	182
Gould B. Ruggles, 224 High St.	280
Frank M. Stevens, 14 School St.	272
Robert E. Stewart, 37 School St.	278
Mollie A. Sweetser, 192 Woburn St.	286
Edward J. Taylor, 232 High St.	185
Robert E. Turner, 78 Middlesex Ave.	228
Herbert J. Wooldridge, 156 High St.	278
Blanks	1093

Total	6030
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One Town Meeting Member for two years

Clifford W. Baker, 169 Summer Ave.	159
Sherman R. Gates, 65 Longview Rd.	80
Albert H. Woodward, 287 West St.	78
Blanks	85

Total	402
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Precinct 4

Fifteen Town Meeting Members for three years

Arnold R. Baker, 576 Pearl St.	235
H. Nelson Bates, 23 Nelson Ave.	311
Nellie P. Beaton, 299 Lowell St.	307
Forest T. Benton, 4 Margaret Rd.	155
Eleanor C. Bishop, 55 Lowell St.	320
Lester W. Bowen, 1457 Main St.	182
Dudley W. Burke, 40 Tennyson Rd.	141
William E. Burpee, 178 Wakefield St.	323
Adra P. Camp, 28 Highland St.	292
Elton C. Dummann, 37 Evergreen Rd.	120
Richard D. Evans, 102 Winthrop Ave.	206
Gerald E. Fosbroke, 75 Lowell St.	160
Carl W. Goodridge, 206 Bancroft Ave.	306
Elizabeth Graham, 299 Lowell St.	249
Herbert Higginbotham, Jr., 35 Tennyson Rd.	190
Harold D. Kilgore, Jr., 182 Franklin St.	263
Frank H. MacMillan, 863 Main St.	263
William J. McGee, Jr., 29 Woodland St.	115

George M. McSheehy, 14 Harvard St.	191
M. Russell Meikle, 141 Grove St.	299
Fred W. Nelson, 420 Franklin St.	326
Jane P. Peabody, 60 Sanborn St.	199
Marion R. Symonds, 170 Bancroft Ave.	318
Blanks	1429

Totals	6900
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Town Meeting Member for two years

Leonard M. Jones, 24 Willard Rd.	383
Blanks	77

Total	460
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Town Meeting Member for one year

Donald C. Mitchell, 22 Tennyson Rd.	379
Blanks	81

Total	460
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The polls were closed at 8 P. M. with the following result:

Whole number of votes cast	1766
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The votes were declared in open Town Meeting, sealed in ballot envelopes and transmitted to the Constable to be placed in the vault for safe keeping.

Voted to adjourn, sine die, 11:30 P. M., March 2, 1953.

A true record

Attest

BOYD H. STEWART,
Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Snepardson Hall, Junior High School

March 16, 1953

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Charles P. Howard at 7:45 P. M.

The new Town Meeting Members were requested to stand and be sworn to office by the Town Moderator.

The Warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk when on motion of Kenneth C. Latham it was voted to dispense with the further reading of the warrant except the Constable's Return, which was then read by the Town Clerk.

Article 2. The following report was read by A. Lloyd David:

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

on a Study of the Zoning By-Law and the By-Law
for the Constructoin of Buildings

By vote of the town meeting held on March 19, 1951 the Planning Board has made a study of the present Zoning By-law and of the By-law for the Construction of Buildings.

As many overlapping and conflicting provisions have been found to exist in these two By-laws, it is the opinion of this Board that the interests of the town may be best served by first proposing revisions to the Zoning By-law and then, after final approval thereof, to submit, at a special meeting to be held during the Spring months or as determined by the town meeting or Board of Selectmen, recommendations for the revision of the By-law for the Construction of Buildings.

Therefore, the Planning Board has held a public hearing, has prepared and is at this annual meeting submitting a Final Report and Recommendation on Proposed Amendments to the Zoning By-law and the Zoning Map.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Charles Wilson, Chairman

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the report be accepted.

Article 2. The following report was read by Newell H. Morton:

**SECOND REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO STUDY PROVISIONS OF THE
ACT MAKING IT COMPULSORY FOR TOWNS TO ENTER INTO A
UNION HEALTH PLAN WITH OTHER TOWNS IF STATE MINIMUM
HEALTH REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT MET**

Your committee has held monthly meetings since October, has made a study of the existing health services and regulations in Reading, has had interviews with state officials, has attended legislative hearings, and has visited the model Nashoba Health Union at Ayer which has been in existence since 1931.

There are both advantages and disadvantages in participation in a Union Health Plan by Reading. The Committee is not yet ready to make any final recommendations since there are several bills before the legislature now to amend the act, or even repeal it.

As is likely in becoming a part of a larger unit, we would lose local control and interest which could result in loss of the "personal touch" in individual cases. Locally available services would be absorbed in the centralization. Once in a Union we might be called upon to expand or make arjustments in our program which would result in large expenditures of money. Even to enter a Union Health Plan under the present setup would entail an expenditure, in your committee's opinion, of about \$25,000. as against approximately \$15,000. being spent at present.

On the other hand, centralization would tend to a more rigid enforcement of the Public Health Laws. It would afford a chance to pool resources and equipment with other towns and make available public

health personnel such as sanitary engineers and public health nurses which no doubt make for efficient operation.

The general feeling of your committee is that health services in town are being reasonably well taken care of through the local Board of Health assisted by the Visiting Nurse Association and the School Nurse plus the cooperation of all the Doctors and Dentists so that the town should weigh very carefully the addition of expenses that would be incurred should Reading enter a Union Health Plan.

Your committee requests that it be continued in operation until the legislature has completed its work on the proposed bills, whereupon your committee will make a final and detailed report with specific recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BAISLEY, M.D., Chm.
WILLIAM A. CONNELLY, D.M.D.
H. RAYMOND JOHNSON
NEWELL H. MORTON
MRS. RUTH M. WATTS

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the report be accepted as a report of progress.

Article 2. The following report was read by A. Lloyd David:

FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
OF THE PLANNING BOARD

As required by law the Planning Board held a public hearing in Room 19 of the Municipal Building at eight o'clock P. M., on February 20, 1953 after due notice by publication in the Reading Chronicle on the matter of proposed amendments to the Zoning By-law and the Zoning Map.

By vote of the town meeting held March 19, 1951 the Planning Board was directed to make a study of the Zoning By-law and to report thereon. Such a study has been made and several amendments prepared for consideration by the town meeting. Many of these proposed amendments are of a minor nature and are offered primarily to clarify certain provisions in the present by-law and to simplify its administration.

However, several major amendments are included which are considered vitally necessary to meet the changing conditions in the community.

It is proposed to:

1. Provide that permits, after a public hearing, be required for any new convalescent or rest homes, nursing homes, boarding homes for the aged or private kindergartens.
2. Increase the area of the Industrial District by adding thereto certain land adjacent to the railroad deemed best suited to that use.
3. Eliminate restrictions which have tended to hamper access to and development of the Industrial District.
4. Provide for stricter enforcement of the by-law by requiring "Use and Occupancy Permits", so called, to apply to use of land as well as buildings.

5. Increase minimum frontage requirements for lots in certain residence districts to provide better proportions in lot dimensions to meet the demands of current building construction trends such as the new ranch type houses and dwellings with attached garages.

6. Eliminate provisions for three-story dwellings in Residence A Districts and four-story dwellings in Residence B Districts.

7. Broaden the scope of the duties of the Board of Appeal.

The Planning Board unanimously recommends the adoption of the proposed amendments as set forth in Articles 24 and 25 of the Warrant for the annual town meeting to be held on March 16, 1953 or any adjournment thereof.

READING PLANNING BOARD

A. Lloyd David, Chairman

Robert G. Clinch, Secretary

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham it was voted that this report be accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to place Article 2 on the table.

Article 3. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the following be chosen to serve as Measurers of Lumber for the ensuing year:

Harold B. Currell

Fred F. Smith

Maurice H. Donegan

and that the following be chosen to serve as Measurers of Wood and Bark:

Percy N. Sweetser

Harold B. Currell

Thomas E. Brogan

Article 3. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be instructed to accept, in behalf of the town, the rear half of the land owned by H. W. Hunt Co. and located on Pleasant and Eaton Streets, provided such land is conveyed to the town free from any conditions or restrictions.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to place Article 3 on the table.

* Article 11. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the provisions of Section 16C of Chapter 147 of the General Laws being a law providing for a five day week for members of the Police Department be and the same hereby are accepted.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham it was voted to take up Article 26.

Article 26. On motion of Harold L. Jones, it was voted that the By-law relating to the Wage and Hour Classification Plan and the Schedule of Minimum and Maximum Salaries to be paid to employees in the positions included thereunder be and the same hereby are amended in the manner following:

* On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to take up Article 11.

Amend the salary schedule by striking out the hourly and weekly maximums as appearing therein and substitute in place thereof under the Job Classifications the following new hourly and weekly maximum rates:

CLASSIFICATION	Hourly	Weekly
Section 1. Clerical Employees		
	Max.	Max.
Junior Clerk		41.85
Senior Clerk		51.80
Section 2. Supervisory Employees		
Foreman		83.74
Supervisory Employees, Mechanic and Shovel Operator	1.76	70.40
Section 3. Hourly Paid Employees		
Skilled Labor	1.66	66.40
Semi-Skilled Labor	1.51	60.40
Unskilled Labor	1.39	55.60
Section 4. Public Works Department		
Superintendent		129.59
Asst. Superintendent		90.10
Pumping Station Engineer		79.29
Asst. Pumping Station Engineer	1.59	63.60
Jr. Office Engineer	1.59	63.60
Meter Repairman	1.53	61.20
Dump Caretaker	1.33	53.20
Section 5. Municipal Light Department		
Manager		129.59
Comptroller		112.50
Asst. to Comptroller		65.77
Distribution Engineer		101.10
Construction Superintendent		101.10
Lineman — 2nd class	1.69	67.60
Lineman — 3rd class	1.54	61.60
Groundsman	1.47	58.80
Patrolman — 1st class	1.79	71.60
Patrolman — Apprentice	1.51	60.40
Mechanic	1.67	66.80
Meter Tester	1.56	62.40
Meter Reader	1.25	50.00
Chief Operator	1.88	75.20
Operator	1.61	64.40
Stockroom Man	1.43	57.20
Merchandise Manager		93.12
Service Manager		80.59
Salesman Clerk		61.22
Service Man	1.79	71.60
Service Man — Apprentice	1.47	58.80
Shipping and Receiving Clerk	1.17	46.80
Collector	1.36	54.40
Janitor	1.30	52.00

	Hourly Max.	Weekly Max.
Section 6. Cemetery Department		
Superintendent		83.74
Working foreman	1.75	70.00
Section 7. Public Library		
Librarian		56.66
Asst. Librarian		46.64
Library clerical90	
Section 8. Tree and Moth Department		
Superintendent		83.74
Section 9. Police Department		Annually
Chief		4,750.00
Sargent		3,925.00
Patrolman		3,610.00
Section 10. Fire Department		
Chief		4,750.00
Deputy		4,100.00
Captain		3,925.00
Lieutenant		3,825.00
Private		3,610.00
Extra or part-time work .95 max. hrly rate		
Section 11. General Government		
Town Accountant		4,982.00
		Weekly
Janitor — Town Buildings		61.22

Amend the Schedule A, Job Classifications, under Article VIII-A of the By-law relating to the Wage and Hour Classification Plan in the manner following:

Strike out under title Board of Public Works the classification of Chief Survey Party and Transit, Rodman and Draftsman as appearing therein and substitute in place thereof the following job classifications:

CIVIL ENGINEER

Shall be a person capable of performing and supervising work on all major types of municipal engineering. Shall be capable of designing and inspecting engineering work on roads, sewage and drainage facilities, water supply and distribution, sidewalks and related municipal public work and of supervising subordinate employees in the performance of the same. Shall have an engineering degree from an accredited university and shall be a registered professional engineer.

SENIOR DRAFTSMAN

Shall be a person capable of performing and supervising office work on all basic types of municipal engineering. Shall be experienced in the knowledge, procedures, calculations, plans and records, relating thereto and experienced in supervising small groups of subordinate employees in the performance of the same. Shall have the equivalent of three years of study at an accredited engineering school.

LAND SURVEYOR

Shall be a person capable of performing and supervising work on land and construction surveys. Shall be experienced in the procedures,

calculations, plans and records relating thereto. Shall have the equivalent of two years of study at an accredited engineering school and shall be a registered land surveyor.

JUNIOR DRAFTSMAN

Shall be a person capable of performing minor drafting work and simple calculations. Shall have at least, a high school education including high school drawing and mathematics.

TRANSITMAN

Shall be a person capable of performing basic survey work on land and construction projects. Shall be experienced in the basic procedures, calculations and records relating thereto and capable of substituting for the land surveyor as required. Shall have the equivalent of one year of study at an accredited engineering school.

RODMAN

Shall be a person capable of performing minor survey work and simple calculations. Shall have at least a high school education including high school drawing and mathematics.

Amend Section 4. Public Works Department by striking out the Job Classifications, Chief of Survey Party and Transit, Rodman and Draftsman and the hourly and weekly minimum and maximum rates under such job Classifications and substitute in place thereof the following new Job Classifications with the hourly and weekly minimum and maximum rates:

	Hourly		Weekly	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Civil Engineer			90.00	110.00
Senior Draftsman			75.00	90.00
Land Surveyor			75.00	90.00
Junior Draftsman	1.15	1.51	46.00	60.40
Transitman	1.50	1.88	60.00	75.00
Rodman	1.15	1.51	46.00	60.40

Amend Section 7 of the Regulations relating to the Job Classifications by striking out the last sentence in Clause (a) of Paragraph 7 and substitute therefore a new sentence as follows: "Exceptions may be made from time to time by the Personnel Board.

Article 4. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the sum of Fifty-nine Thousand, Eight Hundred Two Dollars and Twenty-one Cents (\$59,802.21) be raised and appropriated for GENERAL GOVERNMENT as follows:

Selectmen's Clerical	\$ 1,210.00
Selectmen's Expense	1,500.00
Town Accountant's Salary	4,775.00
Town Accountant's Clerical	651.52
Town Accountant's Expense (including travel outside the state)	850.00
Treasurer's Salary	2,500.00
Treasurer's Clerical	950.00
Treasurer's Expense	1,100.00
Collector's Salary (Fees to Town Treasury)	4,300.00
Collector's Clerical	5,754.00

Collector's Expense	2,000.00
Assessor's Salaries	3,597.00*
Assessor's Clerical	5,571.75
Assessor's Expense	2,790.00
Town Counsel's Salary	2,500.00
Town Counsel's Expense	1,500.00
Town Clerk's Salary (Fees to Town Treasury)	1,567.50
Town Clerk's Clerical	3,372.44
Town Clerk's Expense	700.00
Registrars' Salaries	500.00
Registrars' Expense	2,000.00
Election and Registration Expense	2,000.00
Board of Appeal Expense	350.00
Capital Exp. Planning Com. Exp.	300.00
Planning Board Expense	735.00
Finance Committee Expense	100.00
Personnel Board Expense	50.00
Municipal Building Janitor	3,128.00
Municipal Building Maintenance	3,450.00
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	\$ 59,802.21
*Chairman	\$ 1,672.00
Secretary	1,100.00
Other Member	825.00
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	\$ 3,597.00

Article 4. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-one Thousand, Two Hundred Forty-eight Dollars and Two Cents (\$231,248.02) be raised and appropriated for PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY as follows:

Police Dept. Salaries	\$ 81,239.51
Police Dept. Pensions	9,868.36
Police Dept. Maintenance (including travel outside the state)	9,735.00
Police Station Maintenance	3,050.00
Fire Dept. Salaries	65,773.75
Fire Dept. Callmen Salaries	5,700.00
Fire Dept. Pensions	1,375.00
Fire Dept. Maintenance (including travel outside the state)	8,885.00
Fire Stations Maintenance	3,245.00
Fire Alarm Maintenance	2,960.00
Fire Alarm Extension	1,600.00
Moth and Tree Dept. Salaries	18,781.40
Moth and Tree Dept. Maintenance	5,190.00
Hydrant Rentals	5,000.00
Drinking Fountains	100.00
Inspector of Buildings Salary	3,700.00
Inspector of Buildings Expense	365.00
Inspector of Wires Salary	500.00

*Including travel outside the state

Inspector of Wires Expense	200.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures Salary	650.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures Expense	250.00
Dog Officer's Salary	375.00
Dog Officer's Expense	400.00
Game Warden's Salary	105.00
Traffic Control	2,200.00

\$231,248.02

Article 4. On motion of Samuel H. Davis, it was voted that the sum of Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-three Dollars (\$19,463.00) be raised and appropriated for HEALTH AND SANITATION as follows:

Board of Health Salaries	\$ 1,456.00
Board of Health Expense	650.00
Health Officer's Salary	587.50
Inspector of Plumbing Salary	1,299.50
Inspector of Animals Salary	220.00
Inspector of Milk & Food Salary	350.00
Inspector of Milk & Food Expense	50.00
Care of Contagious Diseases	5,000.00
Premature Babies	500.00
Garbage Collection	6,500.00
Dental Clinic	2,850.00

\$ 19,463.00

Article 4. On motion of Newell H. Morton, it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred Seven Thousand Four Hundred Ten Dollars (\$207,410.00) be raised and appropriated for Charity and Aid as follows:

Welfare General Aid	\$ 28,000.00
Welfare General Aid Administrative Salaries	5,550.00
Welfare General Aid Administrative Expense	760.00*
Aid to Dependent Children	16,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children Administrative	1,950.00
Disability Assistance	9,700.00
Disability Assistance Administrative	950.00
Old Age Assistance	138,300.00
Old Age Assistance Administrative	6,200.00

\$207,410.00

Article 4. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the sum of Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-four Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$14,234.70) be raised and appropriated for VETERANS' BENEFITS as follows:

Administrative Salaries	\$ 1,634.70
Administrative Expense	600.00
Aid	12,000.00

\$ 14,234.70

Article 4. On motion of Philip R. White, it was voted that the sum of Six Hundred Seventy-four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-nine

and 22/100 Dollars (\$674,879.22) be raised and appropriated for the SCHOOL DEPARTMENT as follows:

General Salaries	\$531,392.59
General Maintenance including travel outside the state	110,677.63
Vocational Tuition	3,000.00
Transportation of School Children	20,000.00
Athletics	4,200.00
Cafeteria — Equipment	3,800.00
Teachers' Retirement	1,809.00
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	\$674,879.22

Article 4. On motion of Sydney M. Hodson, it was voted that the sum of Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$18,211.00) be raised and appropriated for the Public Library as follows:

Salaries	\$ 12,281.00
Maintenance	5,930.00
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	\$ 18,211.00

Article 4. On motion of M. Russell Meikle, it was voted that the sum of Twenty-three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$23,500.00) be raised and appropriated for the maintenance, care and development of Laurel Hill Cemetery and Forest Glen Cemetery, including travel outside the State; Twenty-one Thousand Dollars (\$21,000.00) for salaries and Twenty-five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00) for expenses.

Article 4. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Four Hundred Three Thousand Eight Hundred Eleven and Ninety-nine one hundredths Dollars (\$403,811.99) be raised and appropriated for the Board of Public Works as follows:

Salaries for Administration	\$ 8,320.00
Expense for Administration	1,450.00
Salaries for Construction and Maintenance of Highways	49,800.00
Expenses for Repairs, Construction and Maintenance of Highways, setting curbs, purchase or otherwise acquiring land for sand and gravel purposes, purchase of materials, tools and equipment and other incidental expenses pertaining thereto	\$ 33,400.00
Salaries for Removal of Snow and Ice	18,500.00
Expenses for Removal of Snow and Ice	16,500.00
Salaries for Construction and Maintenance of Sidewalks	12,800.00
Expenses for Construction and Maintenance of Sidewalks	6,000.00
Salaries for Construction of Storm Drains	11,500.00
of which amount the sum of \$996.50 shall be transferred from the Special Drainage Account and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to said account.	
Expenses for Construction of Storm Drains	13,000.00
Salaries for Maintenance of Storm Drains	6,500.00
Expenses for Maintenance of Storm Drains	3,700.00
Salaries for Maintenance of Dumps	4,600.00
Expenses for Maintenance of Dumps	200.00

Salaries for Maintenance of Park Department and Commons and Supervised Play	11,400.00
Expenses for Maintenance of Park Department and Commons and Supervised Play	5,000.00
Salaries for Maintenance, Operation and Extension of the Sewer System	12,400.00
Expenses for Maintenance, Operation and Extension of the Sewer System, Payment of Interest on Sewer Bonds including travel outside the State	12,000.00
Salaries for Connecting Estates with the Common Sewer	4,000.00
Expenses for Connecting Estates with Common Sewer	2,500.00
Salaries for Construction, Maintenance and Operation of Water Works	62,000.00
of which amount the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars shall be transferred from Water Available Surplus and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.	
Expenses for Construction, Maintenance and Operation of Water Works, including travel outside the State	54,049.49
Expenses for the Payment of Water Bonds and Interest	29,992.50
of which amount the sum of \$1,041.99 shall be transferred from the Available Premiums Account and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to said account.	
Salaries for Engineering Division	15,000.00
Expenses for Engineering Division	2,000.00
of which amount the sum of \$579.71 shall be transferred from the Post War Planning Account and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to said account.	
Public Works Pensions	7,200.00
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	\$403,811.99

Article 4. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Twenty-four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-five Dollars and Five Cents (\$24,375.05) be raised and appropriated for INSURANCE.

Article 4. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Eighteen Hundred and Thirty-eight (\$1,838.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE to be expended under the direction of Post 62, American Legion and Post 685, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 4. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the sum of One Thousand (\$1000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the settlement of damage claims against the Town.

Article 4. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the Care and Lighting of OLD SOUTH CLOCK.

Article 4. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the sum of Fourteen Hundred Seventy-five (\$1,475.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for printing the TOWN REPORT for the year 1952.

Article 4. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Eight Hundred Twenty-five (\$825.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the preparation and printing of the STREET LIST for 1953, such sums to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 4. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the maintenance of the Parking Area.

Article 4. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for recording instruments in the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds.

Article 4. On motion of Donald C. Mitchell, it was voted that the sum of Forty-one Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$41,720.20) be raised and appropriated for the CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM to be divided as follows:

Pension Accumulation Fund	\$ 39,962.00
Expense Fund	1,275.00
Military Service Fund	433.20
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	\$ 41,720.20

Article 4. On motion of Alfred H. Dolben, it was voted that there be included in the tax levy, for electricity used for street lights, the sum of Seventeen Thousand (\$17,000.00) Dollars and that said sum and the income from sales of electricity to private consumers and for electricity supplied to municipal buildings, and for municipal power, and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year be appropriated for the Municipal Light Plant, and that the sum of Twelve Thousand (\$12,000.00) Dollars be appropriated from the said receipts of the department for the sale, installation and servicing of merchandise, equipment, utensils, and chattels, as provided in Section 34 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws ,said appropriations to be expended by the Manager of the Municipal Lighting Plant under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, for the expense of the plant, including payments of Bonds and Notes, the sale, installation and servicing of merchandise, equipment, utensils and chattels, as defined in Chapter 164, Section 57 of the General Laws, or any amendments thereof or additions thereto, and that if said sum of \$17,000.00 and said income shall exceed said expense for said fiscal year, such excess up to the amount of 2½% of the primary cost of plant and General Equipment as of December 31st of the preceding year plus 10% of the net profit for the preceding year as defined in Chapter 164 of the General Laws, such amount shall be paid into the Town Treasury, and the balance, if any, shall be transferred to the Construction Fund of said Plant and appropriated and used for such additions thereto as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

Article 4. On motion of Joshua T. Day, Jr., it was voted that the sum of Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars be appropriated by transferring said sum from the Overlay Surplus Reserve Fund to the Reserve Fund, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Article 4. On motion of Preston F. Nichols, it was voted that the sum of Sixty Thousand One Hundred Fifty (\$60,150.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for INTEREST, not including Water, Light and Sewer.

Article 4. On motion of Preston F. Nichols, it was voted that the following sum in the amount of \$145,837.08 Dollars be raised and appropriated for MATURING DEBT, not including Light and Water.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to place Art. 4 on table.

Article 5. On motion of Preston F. Nichols, it was voted that the Town Treasurer be and hereby is authorized with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1954, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Sections 4 and 17 of Chapter 44 of General Laws.

Article 6. On motion of Preston F. Nichols, it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of foreclosing in the land Court pursuant to provisions of Sections 65 of Chapter 60 of the General Laws, the right of redemption to any and all real estate taken by the Town for non-payment of taxes.

Article 7. On motion of Preston F. Nichols, it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand (\$2000.00) Dollars be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for the maintenance of various streets previously constructed under Chapter 90 of the General Laws; and that the further sum of Twelve Thousand (\$12,000.00) Dollars be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for the construction under Chapter 90 of the General Laws of a portion of Charles Street from a point near Wakefield Street Northeasterly toward Haverhill Street, provided however, that such sums received as reimbursement from the State and County shall be credited to Surplus Revenue, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Article 8. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to sell or exchange upon such terms and conditions as they may determine the 1952 Ford Police Cruising car, and that the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars together with the proceeds from such sale or exchange be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a new cruising car for the Police Department.

Article 9. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to sell or exchange upon such terms and conditions as they may determine the 1952 Ford Police Cruising car, and that the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars together with the proceeds from such sale or exchange be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a new cruising car for the Police Department.

Article 10. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Thirteen Hundred (\$1,300.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of relocating the police traffic signal box now located on the common on Main Street to a new location on the com-

mon at Main and Woburn Streets and for the rewiring and furnishing the necessary equipment to operate the new controls, moving of the signal box, installation of new ducts and cables and the excavation and backfilling which may be necessary in connection therewith.

Article 12. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Twelve Hundred Fifty (\$1,250.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purchase of uniforms for members of the Police Department.

Article 13. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred Twenty-five (\$525.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purchase of uniforms for members of the Fire Department.

Article 14. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred Fifty (\$550.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purchase of two walkie talkie radios for the Fire Department.

Article 15. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Twenty-Seven Hundred (\$2,700.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the use of a helicopter in spraying the trees for Elm Tree Protection by the Tree and Moth Department.

Article 16. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to sell or exchange upon such terms and conditions as they may determine the 1936 Chevrolet Truck and 1935 Chevrolet Truck used by the Tree and Moth Department and that the sum of Fourteen Hundred (\$1,400.00) Dollars together with the proceeds from such sales or exchange be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a second hand truck for the Tree and Moth Department and for equipping the same.

Article 17. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the further development and maintenance of the Town Forest.

Article 18. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Six Hundred (\$600.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the eradication of mosquitoes in the Town, such sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Health.

Article 19. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that the sum of Twelve Hundred (\$1,200.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the care of graves of any persons who have served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States in time of war or insurrection, and who have been honorably discharged from such service, as provided by Section 22, Chapter 115, General Laws.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to adjourn, to meet in the Junior High School on Monday, March 23, 1953 at 8 P. M.

Adjourned at 10:20 P. M.

163 Precinct members were present.

A true copy
Attest

BOYD H. STEWART,
Town Clerk

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Junior High School

March 23, 1953

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Charles P. Howard at 8 P. M.

The New Town Meeting Members were requested to stand and be sworn to office by the Town Moderator.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to take Article 2 from the table.

Article 2. The following report was read by Harold F. Davis:
REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO STUDY SUITABLE
MEMORIAL TO WORLD WAR II VETERANS, UNDER
THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE I, SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
SEPTEMBER 11, 1950

It is the unanimous recommendation of this Committee that the Auditorium in the New High School be named "Memorial Auditorium" and that a suitable BRONZE PLAQUE, bearing the names of those who made the supreme sacrifice in World War II, be placed therein, but nothing contained in this report shall be construed to affect the sovereignty of the School Committee in its control of the Auditorium when it is turned over to the School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. DAVIS, Chairman
A. ALDEN GOLDSMITH
WILLIAM J. TIGHE, JR.
ROBERT G. CLINCH
GEORGE R. DUNN

On motion of Ernest C. Metcalf, it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

Article 2. The following report was read by Kenneth C. Latham:
REPORT OF COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE
POSSIBILITY OF ALTERING FORM OF ANNUAL TOWN
REPORT

March 16, 1953

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The committee appointed to study possible shortening and streamlining of the annual Reading Town Report desires to call attention to the plan used in the Town of Needham (and similarly in other towns) for compilation and printing of the annual reports of town boards.

The report is handled by a citizens committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen, that board being finally responsible under the law, for the production of the report.

The committee has a change of personnel each year but members are frequently urged to continue their services with the group. They are selected for their general ability to understand town affairs and for that reason there may be members of official town boards serving with the group at times. During the first year that the system was in op-

eration in Needham the selectmen were represented on the committee to give the work a strong guiding hand.

It is the endeavor of the selectmen in making their appointments to find persons who are in the advertising or publicity business and those versed in art and photography. The skills that these individuals can contribute to the work is obviously of value.

The committee must go to work early in the year in some cases. If illustrations are to be used, the season when photos are made must be watched, the pictures taken and filed, and their appearances in the report definitely planned. Toward the end of the year it is necessary that the several town boards be divided among the committee membership for preliminary work. Department heads are notified in writing to have copy for the annual town report ready on a given date.

Each department is told just how many pages — and sometimes how many words — will be allotted in the report. If the department's report exceeds the specified limit, it is the Town Report Committee's job to trim the report to fit the space allowed. The town board has no voice in this matter. When given the space limitation, the board must comply.

Needham town officials feel that their townspeople, in this manner, receive a short, comprehensive, and readable report of the year's work of the town officers and departments.

Each year one department is featured and there are more pages allotted to that department for the use of pictures and extended details. As a rule only major departments are so featured and they are run in rotation.

In Needham — in accordance with town by-law — the report is distributed to each household by boys hired and supervised by the police department.

One Needham town official states that the opposition to the streamlined form has come from members of the Taxpayers' Association and similar individuals who want all the facts and figures of town government and claim they cannot get them by calling on the town officers for a look at the official record books.

In Needham, certain material that must be published is included in the streamlined report but this is not so of the minutes of the regular and special town meetings. These must be published, so the town clerk has a booklet of town meeting proceedings printed following each regular or special meeting. Copies are available at the town clerk's office but are seldom called for. Forty copies of all town meeting proceedings are set aside to be bound at the end of the year with the annual report. These are distributed to department heads for permanent department record.

In Reading, the records of all town meetings are printed as part of the annual report.

Talking with Needham residents bring out certain facts.

1. The citizens as a whole like the form of the report and find it interesting to read.

2. They like having the report, as well as the town meeting warrants and finance committee reports, delivered to their doors.

3. Most of them admit that they would not — and doubt if many other citizens would — take the trouble to go to town hall after the report.

The extent to which our present town report should be changed depends upon certain definite issues.

1. Can the material which will interest and inform the citizens of Reading be contained in a shorter, streamlined report?

2. Will the streamlined report result in lower all-around cost.

This committee has noted some places in which our present form of town report could be improved. We believe that there are additional features which would make the report more attractive and at the same time feel that there are some sections which could be shortened, subordinated, or eliminated, and thus make room for possible improvements.

This committee plans to file with the Selectmen some definite proposals for improving the 1953 Annual Town Report. Whether a streamlined form will be recommended is still a matter for further consideration.

C. NELSON BISHOP, Chm.
EDWARD A. BROWN
NEIL C. ROBINSON

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that Article 2 be laid on the table.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to take Article 3 from the table.

Article 3. William H. Dolben, Jr. moved that the Board of Public Works be instructed to lay out the streets provided for in Articles 41, 42 43, and 44 without the assessment of any betterments.

This motion was not voted.

Article 3. Winthrop P. Frazier moved that a committee be appointed to look into and report to the 1954 Annual Town Meeting, the advisability of Town Manager Form of Government.

This motion was not voted.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham it was voted that Article 3 be laid on the table.

Article 20. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Eight Thousand (\$8,000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the construction and maintenance of the Municipal Parking Area situated Northerly of Haven Street which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation of Twelve (\$12,000.00) Dollars voted under Article 7 at the Special Town Meeting held December 1, 1952.

Article 21. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted, that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized for and in behalf of the Town to convey or abandon upon such terms and conditions as they may determine that portion of the easement acquired by the Town for drainage purposes through land of Florence Sargent located on the Westerly side of Grove Street and bounded:

Beginning at a point of said Westerly side line of Grove Street, said point being a length of 10.04 feet Northwesterly from a drill hole set at the division property line between lands of said Florence Sargent and lands of Charles L. Higgins, and being on a curved line having a radius of 1000 feet;

Thence running in a Northwesterly direction along said Westerly side line of Grove Street and by lands of said Florence Sargent, by said curved line having a radius of 1000 feet, a length of 79.30 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running S 72°-21'-20" E, through lands of said Florence Sargent, a distance of 10.0 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running in a Southeasterly direction, still through lands of said Florence Sargent, by a curved line having a radius of 990 feet, a length of 75.0 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running S 86°-09'-00" E, still through lands of said Florence Sargent, a distance of 10.30 feet to Grove Street and the point of beginning.

140 voted in the affirmative; 0 voted in the negative.

Article 22. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted, that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized for and in behalf of the Town to convey or abandon upon such terms and conditions as they may determine that portion of the easement acquired by the Town for drainage purposes through land of Harvey P. Wasserboehr et ux and located on the Northerly side of Harvard (private) Street and bounded:

Beginning at a point on the Northerly side line of said Harvard (private) Street at the division property line between Lots 65 and 66;

Thence S 73°-20'-40" W, along said Northerly side line of Harvard (private) Street and by lands of said Wasserboehr et ux, a distance of 10.0 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running N 16°-56'-20" W, through lands of said Wasserboehr et ux, a distance of 152.97 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running N 79°-57'-30" E, still through said Wasserboehr's land, a distance of 20.14 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running S 16°-56'-20" E, still through land of said Wasserboehrs' a distance of 150.65 feet to a point on said Northerly side line of Harvard (private) Street;

Thence turning and running S 73°-20'-40" W, along said Northerly side line of Harvard (private) Street, a distance of 10.0 feet to the point of beginning.

149 voted in the affirmative; 0 voted in the negative.

Article 23. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized for and in behalf of the Town to convey or abandon upon such terms and conditions as they may determine portions of the easement acquired by the Town for drainage purposes through land of Ann Joan Marchinko, and land of Allan H. Sturges et al Trustees and located on the Northerly side of Walnut Street and bounded:

FIRST PARCEL. Beginning at a point on the Northerly side of Walnut Street, said point being N 44°-13'-30" E, a distance of 31.99 feet

measured along said Northerly side line of Walnut Street from the division property line between said land of Marchinko and of Sturges et al Trustees;

Thence N 44°-13'-30" E, along said Northerly side line of Walnut Street, by land of said Marchinko, a distance of 2.98 feet to an angle point in said street line;

Thence N 46°-10'-20" E, still along said Northerly side line of Walnut Street and by land of said Marchinko, a distance of 17.04 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running N 41°-37'-30" W, through land of said Marchinko, a distance of 99.63 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running S 20°-26'-30" W, still through said Marchinkos' land, a distance of 54.97 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running S 41°-37'-30" E, still through said Marchinkos' land, a distance of 52.35 feet to Walnut Street and the point of beginning.

SECOND PARCEL. Beginning at a point in the division property line between land of the Inhabitants of the Town of Reading known as "Sturges Park" and land of said Allan H. Sturges et al Trustees, said point being S 50°-51'-40" E a distance of 10.56 feet measured along said division property line from an angle point in said division property line marked by a drill hole;

Thence/S 20°-26'-30" E, through land of said Allan H. Sturges et al Trustees, a distance of 2.54 feet to a point;

Thence turning and running N 41°37'-30" W, still through land of said Allan H. Sturges et al Trustees, a distance of 2.39 feet to said division property line between the land of said Inhabitants of the Town of Reading and said Allan H. Sturges et al Trustees;

Thence turning and running N 50°-51'-40" E, along said division property line, a distance of 0.92 feet to the point of beginning.

148 voted in the affirmative; 0 voted in the negative.

Article 24. On motion of Lawrence A. Cate it was voted to adopt the following amendment to Article 24, to be added to Section VI, subsection 2:

Amendment to Article 24

Lots on curved roads and circles may be of not less than 75 feet frontage provided the lot contains the required area and the lot is 100 feet wide at the front building line.

Article 24. On motion of A. Lloyd David, it was voted to amend the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Reading, dated February 13, 1942. as follows:

DEFINITIONS

6. Add the word "detached" after the words "A single family dwelling is a" in the first line so that the definition shall read as follows:

"6. A "single family dwelling" is a detached dwelling arranged, intended or designed to be occupied by a single family."

7. Substitute the words "detached dwelling" for the word "house" in the first line so that the definition shall read as follows:

"7. A "Two family dwelling" is a detached dwelling arranged, intended or designed to be occupied by two families."

8. Substitute the word "dwelling" for the word "building" in the first line so that the definition shall read as follows:

"8. An "apartment house" is a dwelling arranged, intended or designed for more than two families."

Add the following definitions:

"17. A "private kindergarten" is a private school for children of pre-primary school age having an enrollment of eight or more regularly enrolled pupils."

"18. A "school" means a public or private school giving regular instruction at least five days a week for eight months or more each year; but not including a school giving special or limited instruction such as a business, trade, art, music, dancing or riding school."

"19. An "attic" is the space between the ceiling beams of the top habitable story at the rafters, in which the area at a height of seven and one-third ($7\frac{1}{3}$) feet above the attic floor is not more than one-third ($\frac{1}{3}$) the area of the floor next below. A "habitable attic" is an attic which has a stairway as a means of access and egress."

"20. A "trailer camp" is an area of land on which is located one or more trailers used for human habitation."

"21. A "trailer" is a structure originally designed as a vehicle to be used in whole or in part for human habitation having no motive power of its own."

"22. A "non-conforming use" is a use not permitted by the Zoning By-Law."

PART I. DISTRICTS

SECTION III. General Regulations

Insert a new subsection:

"1. The main right of way of the Boston and Maine Railroad shall be used for only such purposes as are permitted under the statutes."

Renumber sub-sections 1, 2 and 3 as 2, 3 and 4 respectively and insert a new subsection 5.

"5. Hospitals, convalescent or rest homes, nursing homes, boarding homes for the aged and private kindergartens are prohibited unless a permit therefor is granted by the Board of Appeal after a public hearing."

Renumber subsections 4 and 5 as 6 and 7 respectively.

SECTION IV. Use Regulations in Residential Districts.

Add a new subsection:

"6. In all Residence Districts the erection of a garage for more than three non-commercial motor vehicles is prohibited except under a special permit therefor granted by the Board of Appeal after a public hearing."

SECTION VI. Frontage Regulations in Residence Districts.

Delete the single paragraph and substitute the three following subsections:

"1. In Residence A1 and Residence B Districts no lot shall have a frontage of less than eighty (80) feet on the frontage street."

"2. In Residence A2 Districts no lot shall have a frontage of less than one hundred (100) feet on the frontage street. Lots on curved roads and circles may be of not less than 75 feet frontage provided the lot contains the required area and the lot is 100 feet wide at the front building line."

"3. In Residence A3 Districts no lot shall have a frontage of less than two hundred (200) feet on the frontage street."

SECTION VII. Height Regulations in Residence Districts.

Amend subsection 1 by deleting that part following the word "height" in the second line so that the subsection shall read as follows:

"1. In a Residence A1, A2 or A3 District no building shall exceed two and one-half (2½) stories or thirty-five (35) feet in height."

Amend subsection 2 by deleting that part following the word "height" in the second line so that the subsection shall read as follows:

"2. In all Residence B Districts no building shall exceed three (3) stories or forty (40) feet in height."

SECTION VIII. Yard Regulations in Residence Districts.

Amend subsection 2 by substituting the following:

"2. No principal building in and Residence District and no building used for dwelling purposes in any other district shall extend nearer to any side lot line than fifteen (15) feet; or nearer to any rear lot line than twenty (20) feet. Nothing herein shall prevent the projection of eaves, cornices, chimneys, steps, window sills and belt courses into any required yards or open spaces."

PART II MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SECTION XVII. Accessory Uses

Amend subsection 1 by substituting the figure "7" at the end of the third line for the figure "5" so that the subsection shall read as follows:

"1. Accessory uses shall be permitted which do not alter the character of the premises on which they are located and do not violate the provisions of Part I, Section III, Paragraph 7."

Amend subsection 2b by adding to the end thereof the following phrase "to persons who are not merely casual or transient customers," so that the subsection shall read as follows:

"b. The renting by a family living in a dwelling in a Residence District of rooms and the furnishing of table board to persons who are not merely casual or transient customers."

SECTION XVII. Non-Conforming Uses

Delete subsection 1 and renumber the remaining subsections. (Said subsection 1, being a definition of a non-conforming use, has been included under the heading of Definitions.)

SECTION XX. Access to Business or Industrial Buildings

Delete entire section and renumber the remaining sections.

PART III. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

SECTION XXIII (renumbered as SECTION XXII)

Insert after subsection 1 a new subsection as follows:

"2. No building erected, materially altered, relocated or in any way changed as to construction or use under a permit or otherwise, and no land, shall be occupied or used without an occupancy permit signed by the Inspector of Buildings, which permit shall not be issued until the building and its use and accessory uses, and the use of all land, comply in all respects with this by-law."

Renumber the remaining subdivisions.

147 voted in the affirmative; 2 voted in the negative.

A true copy

Attest

BOYD H. STEWART

Town Clerk

Article 25. On motion of A. Lloyd David, it was voted that the Zoning By-Law and Zoning Map be and the same hereby are amended by changing the area hereinafter described from the Residence A-1 District to the Industrial District;

Beginning at a point where the Town boundary line between the towns of Reading and Wakefield intersects the northeasterly boundary line of the right of way of the Boston and Maine Railroad; thence running in a northwesterly direction by said right of way to the present Industrial District; thence running in a general southeasterly and southwesterly direction along the lines of said Industrial District to a point one hundred fifty (150) feet distant from the center line of Ash Street; thence in a southeasterly direction by a line running parallel to the said center line of Ash Street to the town boundary line between the towns of Reading and Wakefield; thence running in a northeasterly direction by said town boundary line to the point of beginning so that the above-described area as amended shall be rezoned and changed to and become part of the Industrial District.

149 voted in the affirmative; 0 voted in the negative.

Article 27. On motion of Philip R. White, it was voted that article 27 be indefinitely postponed.

Article 28. On motion of Philip R. White, it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand Seventy (\$2,070.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the acquisition for school purposes of five lots of land situated Northerly of Tower Road (private way) and being Lots 199, 200, 201, 202 and 203 shown on Town of Reading Assessors Plat No. 35 which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation of Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars voted under Article 14 at the Special Town Meeting held December 1, 1952.

141 voted in the affirmative; 8 voted in the negative.

Article 29. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr., it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred Fifteen Thousand (\$215,000.00) Dollars be ap-

propriated for the construction of sewers for sanitary and surface drainage purposes and for sewage disposal and for the construction of a sewer pumping station and original equipment and furnishings for such station and for such purpose to acquire by purchase, right of eminent domain or otherwise the fee in a parcel of land situated on the South-easterly side of Willow Street and shown on plan of Land in Reading, Mass. dated March 11, 1953 which plan is on file with the Town Clerk of the Town of Reading and said parcel is estimated to contain 37,000 square feet of land and also such rights of way and easements in such locations as the Board of Public Works may deem necessary for any of the purposes mentioned in this vote and to meet said appropriation the of Seventy-five Hundred (\$7,500.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy covering that portion of the loan hereby authorized for the construction of the sewers and Seventy-five Hundred (\$7,500.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy covering that portion of the loan hereby authorized for the acquisition of land and the construction of the pumping station with the original equipment and furnishings and that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000.00) Dollars under authority of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and to issue bonds or notes for the said Two Hundred Thousand (\$200,000.00) Dollars payable in accordance with the provisions of said Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than twenty years from the date of issue of the first bond or note, or at such earlier time as the Treasurer and Selectmen may determine and said bonds or notes shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Selectmen and the Board of Public Works are hereby authorized to proceed with the construction of said sewers for sanitary and surface drainage and sewage disposal, the acquisition of the land and easements, construction of pumping station, equipment and furnishings and to enter into all contracts and agreements in respect thereto and to do all other acts and things necessary and proper for carrying out the provisions of this vote.

149 voted in the affirmative; 0 voted in the negative.

Article 30. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Twenty-seven Thousand (\$27,000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of laying water mains to service the new high school.

On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted to place Article 31 on table.

On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted to take up Article 41.

Article 41. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as OAKLAND ROAD and adopt the recommendations contained therein.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to adjourn, to meet in the Junior High School on Monday, March 30, 1953 at 8 P. M.

Adjourned at 10:30 P. M.

151 Precinct Members were present.

BOYD H. STEWART

Town Clerk

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING

Junior High School

March 30, 1953

In the absence of the Moderator, the Town Clerk, Boyd H. Stewart, called the meeting to order at 8 P. M. and asked for nominations for a temporary moderator to act at this meeting.

Kenneth C. Latham moved that Samuel H. Davis be elected to act as temporary moderator.

Samuel H. Davis was then elected by those present to act as temporary moderator.

Article 42. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as HARTSHORN STREET and adopt the recommendations contained therein.

Article 43. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that Article 43 be indefinitely postponed.

Article 44. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr., it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as HILLSIDE ROAD and adopt the recommendations contained therein.

On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that Article 31 be taken from the table.

Article 31. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of One Hundred Thirty-three Thousand (\$133,000.00) Dollars be appropriated for the original construction of the following public ways being access roads to the new High School including payment of land damages and the cost of bituminous macadam or other permanent pavement of similar lasting character and for the sidewalks to be laid at the time of said construction; Parkview Road between Weston Road and Oakland Road; Oakland Road, formerly Tower Road; Hartshorn Street from Bancroft Avenue to the site of the new High School; Hillside Road from Grandview Road to Oakland Road and to meet said appropriation the sum of Thirteen Thousand (\$13,000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy and the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand (\$120,000.00) Dollars be appropriated by transferring said sum from Surplus Revenue and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to said account to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Article 32. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of improving a portion of Charles Street from a point near Wakefield Street northeasterly toward Haverhill Street together with such sums as may be provided by the State and County under Section 34, of Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Article 33. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr., it was voted that the sum of Thirty-three Thousand Nine Hundred (\$33,900.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated by transferring Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred (\$20,800.00) Dollars of said sum from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Operating Account and the remaining sum

of Thirteen Thousand One Hundred (\$13,100.00) Dollars be raised from the Tax Levy and that the total sum of Thirty-three Thousand Nine Hundred (\$33,900.00) Dollars be appropriated for the maintenance, repair and operation of road machinery and for the purchase by the Board of Public Works of one Large Tractor, Two Small Tractors and one Tractor with Backhoe attachment and the proceeds received from the old equipment not exceeding Four Thousand (\$4,000.00) Dollars shall be appropriated in addition to the above mentioned sum of Thirty-three Thousand Nine Hundred (\$33,900.00) Dollars as part of the purchase price for the above mentioned equipment and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said amount to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Article 34. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for maintaining, repairing and resurfacing streets constructed under Section 34 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws together with such sums as may be provided by the State and County.

Article 35. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr., it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for consulting engineering services for the regular construction projects of the Board of Public Works, including sewers, storm drains, water and highways.

Article 36. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr., it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for consulting engineering services, surveys and plans for roads, drainage and water in connection with the new High School, said sum to be expended by and under the direction of the Board of Public Works.

Article 37. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred (\$2,500.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for resurfacing streets with bituminous concrete said sum to be apportioned as follows: Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars for Salaries and Two Thousand Two Hundred (\$2,200.00) Dollars for Expenses, said sum to be expended by and under the direction of the Board of Public Works.

Article 38. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for resurfacing the Mineral Street Bridge, as follows: Seventeen Hundred Fifty (\$1,750.00) Dollars to be raised from the Tax Levy and Two Hundred Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars by transferring said sum from the unexpended balance in the Mineral Street Bridge Account, said appropriation to be apportioned \$800.00 for Salaries and \$1,200.00 for expenses and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Article 39. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 40. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Four Hundred Eighty (\$480.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for cleaning the Town Parking Area Westerly of Main Street

said sum to be apportioned as follows: Four Hundred (\$400.00) Dollars for Salaries and Eighty (\$80.00) Dollars for Expenses.

Article 45. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as WENTWORTH ROAD and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred Ninety (\$2,390.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the laying out and construction of said way, said sum to be apportioned as follows: One Thousand One Hundred Forty (\$1,140.00) Dollars for Salaries and One Thousand Two Hundred Fifty (\$1,250.00) Dollars for Expenses.

Article 46. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr., it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as WOODLAND STREET and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Four Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-nine (\$4,969.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the laying out and construction of said way, said sum to be apportioned as follows: Two Thousand Six Hundred (\$2,600.00) Dollars for Salaries and Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-nine (\$2,369.00) Dollars for Expenses.

Article 47. On motion of M. Russell Meikle, it was voted that the sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars be appropriated from the Cemetery Reserve Fund receipts from the sale of lots and graves in Laurel Hill Cemetery and Forest Glen Cemetery for maintenance, care, improvement and embellishment of said cemeteries under the provisions of Section 15 of Chapter 114 of the General Laws.

Article 48. On motion of Frank D. Tanner, it was voted that the subject matter of Article 48 be referred to the Municipal Light Board, and that said Board be, and it hereby is authorized to install such additional street lights, as in its judgment are required, and to make such changes in the size, type and location of existing street lights, as it may deem advisable, the expense of same to be paid from the income of the plant.

Article 49. On motion of Charles W. H. Smith, it was voted that the sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of providing by lease or otherwise, suitable headquarters for Reading Post 62 of the American Legion.

79 voted in the affirmative; 33 voted in the negative.

Article 50. On motion of Charles W. H. Smith, it was voted that the sum of Six Hundred Sixty (\$660.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of providing by lease or otherwise suitable headquarters for Reading Post 685 Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 51. On motion of Newell H. Morton, it was voted that the sum of Fifty-five Hundred (\$5,500.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of conducting and promoting recreation, play, sports, physical education and other social, educational and recreational activities upon such land and buildings as defined in Section 14 of Chapter 45 of the General Laws, with authority to exercise all powers

conferred therein including the purchase of the necessary equipment and the employment of teachers, supervisors and other officers and employees and the fixing of their compensation.

Article 52. On motion of A. Lloyd David, it was voted that Article 52 be and the same hereby is indefinitely postponed.

Article 53. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for Child Welfare Work to be expended under the direction of the Reading Visiting Nurse Association and the Board of Health.

Article 54. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 of Chapter 128 of the General Laws, and that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized to appoint a Director to cooperate with the Middlesex County Trustees for the County Aid to Agriculture and work of the Middlesex County Extension Service and the 4-H Clubs.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to take Article 4 from the table.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that Article 4 be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to take Article 3 from the table.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that Article 3 be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to take Article 2 from the table.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that Article 2 be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the meeting be adjourned, sine die.

Adjourned 10:10 P. M.

122 Precinct Members were present.

BOYD H. STEWART

Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Shepardson Hall, Junior High School

October 5, 1953

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Charles P. Howard at 8:10 P. M.

The warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk, when on motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to dispense with further reading of the warrant, except the Constable's Return, which was then read by the Town Clerk.

Article 1. Philip R. White read the following Report, and on motion of Samuel H. Davis, it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

REPORT TO TOWN MEETING, October 5, 1953

The Reading School Committee was voted an appropriation of \$2,400,000 for the construction and equipping of the new senior high school building. The State School Bldg. Assistance Commission will reimburse the Town of Reading for approximately 34% of the gross cost of the school, including construction, architect's fees, landscaping and equipping the building. The Commission will also reimburse the Town in like manner for any subsequent appropriations and expenditures in connection with the construction of the building. If the Town decides to develop the athletic area and makes appropriation therefor before claim for state reimbursement is made for the new high school building, it will be possible, under present regulations, to secure the same percentage (approximately one-third) of the cost of development of the athletic area from the State School Bldg. Assistance Commission. On August 25, 1952, the School Committee signed a contract with A. Cefalo & Sons, Inc., of Lynn, for the construction of the building within a 500-day period for the sum of \$1,997,000.00.

The contractor was delayed in his operations for two reasons:

1. Waiting for the removal of the Haseltine house, and
2. Because of ledge, which was discovered on the site.

The additional charge for removal of the ledge was at the net rate of \$9.25 per cubic yard, as provided in the contract. The architect's opinion, based on the borings taken, indicated large boulders, but upon clearing topsoil it was found that a large area contained solid ledge. The removal of ledge to date has cost \$121,370.08.

In order to eliminate an extensive retaining wall at the south end of the site to provide for greater traffic safety, the Town deemed it advisable to purchase five lots of land, at a cost of \$5,000, which money was appropriated and has been expended. With this change, it was necessary to grade the five lots, and provide a gravel base for parking areas. The state revised plans approved by them to require enlargement of ventilators in the auditorium, at a cost of \$1,933.00. Subsequently, also, the installation of a fire alarm pedestal was required, at a cost of \$263.10. Adjustments with the contractor for credits for elimination of the retaining wall, charges for grading the five lots, providing gravel base, and the installation of the ventilators and fire alarm pedestal, resulted in a further charge by the contractor of \$7,360.75.

In constructing a building of this size, it is inevitable that there will be change orders which create some expense for the Town. To date, there have been six change orders, aside from those for ledge removal, at a gross cost of \$12,168.80. The change orders are as follows:

For installation of copper pipe (which was not available when the specifications were drawn), in lieu of iron, at a charge of \$2,555.30.

For installation of copper flashing (for the reason noted above), \$3,404.50.

For testing concrete and reinforcing steel, \$2,000.00.

For reinforcing the boiler room slab, under which a spring was found, \$1,701.00.

For providing a girder to eliminate a lally column (in gymnasium) \$575.00, and for the ventilators noted above \$1,933.00.

There are two change orders now being processed, one for the fire alarm pedestal, \$263.10, and one for enlarging the telephone conduit \$1,194.33.

Gross change orders, authorized or in process, including ledge removal, amount to \$134,996.31.

The School Committee is ascertaining what furniture in the old high school building can be reconditioned and obtaining from war surplus furniture which can be reconditioned in order to keep the cost of equipment as low as possible.

The contractor expects to complete the building, and the School Committee expects to have finish grading complete and all other work done so that the building can be used in September 1954.

The School Committee is further making a study of the athletic area. They have retained the services of Dr. Walter A. Cox, an expert on athletic field layout, of Springfield College, to advise on the facilities for the athletic field and will, this Fall, upon receipt of his report, engage the services of an engineering firm to make a study of the field to arrive at an estimated cost for the development of an area for athletics.

The School Committee and the Town are faced with further problems. This year, school enrollment increased by 218 pupils, making a total of 3,259. In the five years since 1948 the system has grown by 848 children, an increase of approximately 35%. All available classrooms are now in use, and only with completion of the new high school will it be possible to find available rooms in the Junior High School to accommodate elementary school pupils. The School Committee is making preliminary studies of the possibility of renovation of the old high school building and is also studying the cost of construction of the new building on the Forest Street elementary school site, purchased by the Town last year.

The School Committee desires to keep the Town informed of problems which exist and to suggest to the Town plans for their solutions.

Signed: Reading School Committee

Signed: Philip R. White, Chairman

Article 1. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are instructed to call the necessary meetings of all Town Boards for the purpose of investigating the advisability of Industrial development within the present Industrial Zone of the Town and report back their findings to the next annual Town Meeting.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to place Article 1 on the table.

Article 2. On motion of James E. Calvin, it was voted that Article XV of the By-Laws of the Town be and the same hereby is amended by inserting after Section 3 the following:

Section 4. No person shall excavate any land by the removal of clay or other materials therefrom without erecting barriers or by taking other suitable measures to be approved by the Building Inspector for the protection of persons from damages incident thereto.

Whoever violates any of the provisions of this Section shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty dollars for the first offense, one hundred dollars for the second offense, and for each subsequent offense not more than two hundred dollars.

Article 3. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars be appropriated by transferring said sum from the Interest Account to the Municipal Building Maintenance Account, and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized to transfer said sum to said Account.

Article 4. On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that the Town accept the gift from Reading Little League Baseball Association of recreational storage building to be constructed and located on land recently acquired by the Town for playground purposes and situated on the Southerly side of Pleasant Street.

Article 5. On motion of Boyd H. Stewart it was voted that the sum of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars be appropriated by transferring said sum from Surplus Revenue for the payment of an unpaid bill incurred by the Town in the year 1952 due the Trustees of Security Lodge No. 208, and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Vote 101 Yes

0 No

Article 6. On motion of Preston F. Nichols, it was voted that the sum of One Hundred Fifty-four and 54/100 (\$154.54) Dollars be appropriated by transferring said sum from the Welfare General Aid Account to the Treasurer's Expense Account, and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to said Account.

Article 7. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Seven Hundred Seventy-one (\$771.00) Dollars be appropriated by transferring said sum from the Welfare General Aid Account to the Board of Public Works Administration Account for Expenses and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to said account.

Article 8. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Nine Hundred One and Eight one hundreths (\$901.08) Dollars be appropriated by transferring said sum from the Welfare General Aid Account to the Board of Public Works Pension Account and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to said account.

Article 9. On motion of Harry R. Walker, it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred (\$2,300.00) Dollars be appropriated from the unexpended balances of the following accounts:

\$ 354.26 from Bear Hill Road Betterment Account Salaries
177.04 from Bear Hill Road Betterment Account Expenses
178.51 from Parkman Road Betterment Account Salaries
91.63 from Parkman Road Betterment Account Expenses
3.26 from Whittier Road Betterment Account Salaries
20.00 from Whittier Road Betterment Account Expenses
35.46 from Wadsworth Road Betterment Account Salaries
38.00 from Wadsworth Road Betterment Account Expenses
61.01 from Glenmere Circle Betterment Account Salaries
45.00 from Glenmere Circle Betterment Account Expenses
93.47 from Mineral Street Bridge Resurfacing Account Salaries
70.89 from Mineral Street Bridge Resurfacing Account Expenses
1,131.47 from Welfare General Aid Account

\$ 2,300.00 Total

and that said sums be transferred to the Sewer House Connection Account \$1,500.00 for Salaries and \$800.00 for expenses and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Article 10. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr., it was voted that the Board of Public Works be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to acquire for and in behalf of the Town by purchase, right of eminent domain or otherwise, the fee in a parcel of land situated on the Northwesterly side of Willow Street and shown as Lots 16, 17 and 18 on Town of Reading Assessors Plat 91 and together estimated to contain 52,801 square feet of land, for the purpose of locating the sewer pumping station thereon instead of the location designated in vote of Town under Article 29 at the Annual Town Meeting held in March 1953, authorizing the construction of such pumping station and that the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars be appropriated by transferring said sum from the Interest Account to the appropriation of \$215,000.00 for the construction of sewers, sewer pumping station and acquisition of land voted at said Annual Town Meeting held March, 1953, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Vote 97 Yes

0 No

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to take Article 1 from the table.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted that Article 1 be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Kenneth C. Latham, it was voted to adjourn, sine die, at 9:30 P. M.

108 Precinct Members present.

A true copy. Attest:

BOYD H. STEWART,
Town Clerk

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Parents
January		
3	Michael Joseph Maillet	Emilien J. and Ruth A.
5	Phillip Butler	James T. and Ruth L.
5	Kathleen Mary Dunn	Daniel J. and Lillian C.
6	Michele Ann Cormier	Joseph W. and Marie Ann
9	Stephen Scott Bell	Fred B. and Marguerite
9	Wendy Ann Brown	Paul A. and Shirley I.
9	— Runge	Wallace E. and Rachel L.
10	Janice Alyne Mills	Frank C. and Ruth A.
11	Jeffrey Brooks Palmer	Edward W. and Grace E.
12	John Robert Halbert	Robert A. and Elizabeth F.
13	Susan Elizabeth Keefe	Frederick J. and Eleanor C.
14	Jill Lynch	James B. and Jean E.
15	Kristina Louise Neilson	Norman E. and Vida Esther
15	Patricia Ann Waddle	Howard C., Jr. and Lois J.
17	Janet MacFarlane	Walter J. and Lois
19	Mary Ellen Thornton	Thomas J. and Agnes C.
21	Patricia Teel Jones	Leonard MacM. and Nancy E.
24	John Condon Lovejoy	George N. and Helen T.
25	Edward Francis Tooley	Louis I. and Edna M.
26	Margrethe Christine Beers	Arthur G. and Margaret
27	Andrew Nielson Brownlie	Norman E. and Clara E.
28	David Joseph Borgatti	Louis John and Virginia A.
28	Jeanne Marie McCulloch	George H. and Eleanor R.
31	Verna Elizabeth Palace	Albert F. and Verna C.
February		
4	Mary Elizabeth McGee	William J. and Elizabeth A.
5	Donna Marie Gaw	Royell W. and Margaret C.
6	Edith June Lyon	Roger A. and Edith K.
6	Geraldine Kathryn Mitchell	William B. and Geraldine F.
7	Karen Grimes	James H., Jr. and Marguerite E.
7	Donna Marian Taylor	Donald T. and Gene E.
8	Ronald Brett Lindquist	Harold M. and Marjorie
9	Lisbeth Lynne Watt	William H. and Ruth E.
9	Patricia Griffin	John J., Jr. and Priscilla A.
9	Timothy Charles O'Dowd	James F. and Alice M.
9	Brenda Louise Parker	Charles E. and Helen K.
10	Marla Kathleen Murphy	Michael F. and Lois M.
10	Craig Norman Bursey	Herbert W. and Bernadine D.
12	Jeffrey Richard Briggs	Richard and Barbara C.
12	John Arthur Rowen	Walter A., Jr. and Catherine N.
13	George Elmer Hickman, Jr.	George E. and Josephine T.
13	Linda Tebeau	Robert J. and May E.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Parents
February		
15	James DeMeritt	John and Rollie
16	Elizabeth Fay Danells	Donald E. and Stella F.
18	Dale Edward Colton	Albert H. and Gloria J.
20	Terry Ann Betts	Hugh S., Jr. and Marguerite E.
22	Alan Richard Genest	Alfred J. and Marjorie J.
24	Peter Akers Harvey	Robert D. and Susan
25	Robert Anderson Blaisdell	Grover C., Jr. and Ann I.
25	Ralph Edgar Sulis	Robert H. and Marjorie I.
25	Linda Ann Packer	Everett P. and Frances A.
27	Lesley Ann Marchand	Robert E. and Louise
28	Wendy Jane Squibb	Warren C. and Virginia J.
28	Martha Melanie Kilgore	Harold D. and Ruth
March		
1	Janet Earline Wilkinson	John E. and Barbara H.
1	Cynthia Ann Castine	Kenneth W. and Dianne
1	Robert Nelson Spurr	Elbert M. and Ruth M.
2	Ellen Susan Brady	Robert F. and Beatrice A.
3	Joel Edward Thornton	Thomas J., Jr. and Barbara J.
3	Christopher Chase Roukes	Donald W. and Marjorie C.
6	Linda Marie Dymont	Frederick S. and Grace A.
6	Ralph Jackson Neumyer, Jr.	Ralph J. and Jean
7	Paul John Ivas	Paul A. and Lillian M.
7	Deborah Lee Kohler	William M. and Helen M.
7	Deborah Ann Lufkin	George H. and Mary P.
7	Thomas Kelley	Daniel V. and Jacqueline B.
8	Pamela Ainsworth Steward	Roger A. and Doris H.
9	Robert Arthur Andresen	Thomas R. and Barbara J.
9	William Bruce Merry	William B., Jr. and Ann M.
11	Kathie Louise Seldon	Alvin W. and Janet M.
13	Marjorie Anne Mueller	William H. and Marie A.
14	James Bernard Monahan	Richard J. and Rita A.
15	James Bryson Cail	James B. and Marion
15	Stephen James Healy	Francis G. and Barbara A.
16	David Troy Cowen	Donald M. and Muriel E.
17	Susan Hillman	Raymond W. and Frances T.
17	Brian Gerry Beaudry	Benjamin G. and Audrey R.
17	Arthur Knapp Russell	James A. and Merilyn
18	Robert Michael Harrison	James R. and Patricia C.
20	Kathleen Mary Philbin	Thomas F. and Helen R.
20	Christine Sara Lesslie	William R. and Ruth E.
20	Gail Wilson	Ralph E., Jr., and Marion
21	Devon Dayton Smith	Wilson R. and Amanda B.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Parents
22	Mark Alan Jones	Richard C. and Gladys M.
22	Cynthia Gale Gaw	Gordon A. and Evelyn L.
23	Margaret Davidson	Donald H. and Natalie
23	Elizabeth Westwater	William A. and Jean
24	Heather Ann Higginbotham	Herbert, Jr. and Doris M.
27	Joseph Michael Bean	Thomas F. and Mary H.
28	Deborah Lee Martell	John T., Sr. and Ruth E.
28	Barbara Josephine Margaret Clark	Edward M. and Barbara I.
29	Francis Christopher McLaughlin, Jr.	Francis C. and Ruth T.
April		
1	Roger Bradford Fish	Robert E. and Marie E.
2	Joanne Lee Callahan	Joseph E. and Anna H.
3	Karen Estelle Meuse	Clarence J. and Eva M.
3	John MacGregor Harris	Charles B., Jr. and Helen S.
5	Jean Pendergast	Joseph L. and Marjorie
5	David Vincent Galvin	Thomas F. and Rita I.
7	Karen Lee Leslie	George A., Jr. and Barbara E.
8	Barry Dean Cate	Frank C., Jr. and Rosalind E.
9	Donald Paul Maddock	Albert T., Jr. and Lilian E.
9	Susan Elizabeth Wakeling	Robert W. and Elizabeth B.
10	Phillip Wheelock Lee	Edward C. and Lois
10	Bruce David Denhard	William G. and Barbara A.
12	Kenneth Dale Converse	Herbert W. and Ruth J.
12	Alan Charles Jones	Albert C. and Marjorie E.
13	Wendy Ann Schille	Charles R., Jr. and Rita E.
16	Albert George Turner	Theodore W. and Leslie A.
16	Debra Ann Peterson	Robert H. and Ruth E.
17	Nancy Nigro	Theodore M. and Barbara
17	Robert John Jones	William F. and Alice U.
18	Karen Lee Croce	Bernard A. and Evelyn R.
19	Kent Morgan Sargent	Earl M. and Doris L.
21	Walter Tobey Kittredge	Allen S. and Dorothy E.
22	Jane Elizabeth Nicholson	Wilmer E. and Elizabeth
23	James Kirk Dinan	George B. and Rita A.
26	Barbara Marie Doyon	Maurice P. and Cecile A.
28	Dudley Wayne Burke II	Dudley W. and Elizabeth
28	Alfred Raymond Chatelle	Alfred R. and Helen R.
29	Jeanne Marie Maher	Thomas F. and Gertrude J.
29	Alan Abbott Clark	Ashton R. and Jean A.
29	John Danniell Jacquard	John E. and Marion J.
29	Jeffrey Farrell Moore	Robert H. and Margaret
30	Karen Jean Louanis	Guild S. and Mary L.

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Date	Name	Parents
May		
1	Donna Marie Shea	Frank S. and Doris M.
2	Mark Brooks	William and Genevieve M.
3	Karen Elizabeth Tippy	Harold G. and Jean L.
3	Gary Edgar Staples	Stanley L. and Lois M.
4	Edward Lee Chipman	Hubert H. and Arlington J.
4	Stephen Anthony Hunt	Robert H. and Kathleen
8	Robert Alan Berman	Bernard A. and Eunice
9	— O'Brien	Lawrence R. and Marion L.
9	Nancy Gwen Hitchcock	Donald B. and Barbara J.
10	George Thomas Cavanaugh	Bernard T. and Natalie F.
11	Gerald Bruce Dugan	Richard F. and Frances
12	Kevin Wayne Granelli	Fred, Jr. and Frances P.
12	Gail Ellen Mucci	John S. and Eleanor A.
13	Christine Jane Drown	Walter C. and Margaret M.
14	Joanne Doughty	Francis H. and Charlotte J.
14	William Edmund Patriquin	Carleton W. and Florence C.
14	Cassandra Ann Radulski	George M. and Jane E.
14	John Gould Hay	Robert MacL. and Marjorie J.
15	David Martin Wall	Francis G. and Angelina R.
15	Richard Hill Bennett, Jr.	Richard H. and Jane M.
15	Earlene Frances Doucette	Earle F. and Laura J.
16	Roland Webster Wales	Robert L. and Ruth W.
16	Paul Kerry Sletterink	Donald G. and Alice M.
16	Lynne Mary Frangolis	James T. and Joyce M.
16	Diane Susan McCarthy	James E. and Caroline H.
17	John Edward O'Keefe	Lawrence J. and Mary L.
19	David Robert Smith	Robert McK. and Elaine R.
19	Gregory Gammans	Nelson J. and Theodora C.
19	Leif Kristian Bakland	Thor S. and Alyce Jean
21	Janet Ann Glines	Walter C., Jr. and Virginia
21	Mary Elizabeth Ranaghan	Charles A. and Mary F.
22	Lois Marie Gustafson	Bertil F. and Elsie M.
26	Deborah Lee Brown	Richard D. and Gladys A.
27	Anne Stinchfield	Roger M. and Betty L.
29	William Joseph Longo	Robert J. and Zella M.
31	James Stanley Halfyard, Jr.	James S. and Stella G.
June		
1	Wendy Walker	Frank Edgar, Jr. and Emilie C.
1	James Howard Lucas	William R. and June L.
1	Alan Edmund Case	Paul E. and Shirley E.
2	Richard Leonard Burpee	William E. and Thelma
3	Joan O'Gorman	Joseph R. and Eileen P.

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Date	Name	Parents
June		
4	Regina Corinda Blakely	Vincent T. and Lillian T.
4	Mark William Mollica	Robert L. and Mary C.
4	Robert Claude Drillio	Raymond P. and Florence Drillio
6	Laurie Ann Tessier	Nonnan R. and Dorothea
6	Maureen Lois Smith	Francis J. Smith
7	Deborah Jeanne Higgins	George E. and Alphonsine J.
8	Edward Paul Cusato, Jr.	Edward P. and Evelyn P.
8	Carol Ann Nilson	Arthur C. and Irene
11	Joyce Ann Brown	Richard E. and Phyllis M.
11	Cynthia June Blowney	John S. and Nan
13	Maureen Maxwell	William T., Jr. and Shirley A.
14	Marcia Ann Stevens	Richard L. and Emma J.
15	Kathleen Jean O'Brien	Neil F. and Jeanne D.
17	John Gilgun Cullinane	Thomas L. and Mary E.
17	Richard Lee Newell	Robert E. and Sally
19	Judith Marie Henderson	William L. and Marie A.
20	Lynne Bacon	Stuart W. and Evora
22	Michael Joseph Merrill	Melvin E. and Mary L.
23	Laurence Cameron Wood	Armand F. and Margery E.
25	Gary Luther Sandgren	Stanley A. and Anne L.
25	Thomas Roy	Donat J. and Josephine A.
26	David Edward Ryan	Fred E. and Joyce R.
26	Richard William Greenleaf, Jr.	Richard W. and Mary
26	John Richard Nickerson	Robert A. and Frances M.
27	Martha Louise Neunzer	Henry G. and Doris E.

July

2	Wendy Ann Hood	Calvin B. and Alice R.
2	Deborah Ellen Driscoll	Daniel F., Jr. and Doris M.
2	Lawrence Edward Knight	Lawrence H., Jr. and Geraldine A.
4	Sharon Ann Bilicki	John A. and Carolyn G.
5	Brian Francis Emmons	Francis C., Jr. and Dagmar
7	Tara Clare Sullivan	Charles M. and Dorothy H.
7	Douglas Hugh Corkum	Stanley H. and Margaret I.
9	David Kevin Crosby	John K. and Barbara A.
10	Kenneth Richard Hart	Alfred L. and Louise M.
10	Maryrose Wilson	Arthur J. and Mary K.
11	Beverly Louise Williams	Howard G. and Eleanor L.
12	Robert Alan Nelson	Robert J. and Lois A.
13	Pamela Ann Dumannn	Elton C. and Lolita B.
13	Ann Katherine Scheiner	Herbert L. and Marie B.
13	Roberta Wilson Leder	Erwin K. and Anne H.
13	Robin Ann Brailsford	Paul S. and Frances

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Date	Name	Parents
July		
15	Phyllis Corinne Meier	Joseph M. and Florence M.
17	Bruce Zeytoonian	Haig J. and Doris E.
18	Christopher Cullen	John E., Jr. and Madeline S.
18	Jeffrey Teel	Allan H. and Marilyn L.
19	Kathleen Gail McSheehy	Robert S. and Janet L.
20	Michael Gerard Chaffee	Edwin W. and Mary E.
21	Eleanor Toner	Joseph P. and Eleanor V.
22	Jeanne Patricia Wilshere	Thomas W. and Patricia E.
22	James Michael Lynch	William F. and Ethel A.
23	Marden Bartlett Gibson	Ralph D. and Sarah H.
25	Stephen Arthur Calvin	Arthur C. and Phyllis E.
27	Joseph Paul Riley	James E. and Catherine E.
27	Peter Kimball Griffin	Robert K. and Patricia J.
27	Pamela Jean Meads	Bradley G. and Marilyn J.
28	Diane Marie Selfridge	John Everett, Jr. and Evelyn M.
28	John Irwin Brenton	Irwin C. and Beverly C.
31	Thomas Francis Flanagan	Thomas B. and Annette
August		
1	Gregory Scott Zanni	Domenick, Jr. and Nancy J.
1	Mary Christine Killilea	John and Irene M.
1	William Robert Symonds	Otis P. and Eugenia A.
1	Patricia Anne Wright	Edward C. and Beverly A.
2	Lauren Ann Partelow	Lawrence A. and Dorothy A.
4	Anne Marie Winkler	Richard C. and Elsie P.
5	Constance Jean Crittenden	Franklin K. and Dorothy
6	Joy Elizabeth Emerson	Louis E. and Elinor M.
6	Todd Jeffrey Brissenden	Harold S., Jr. and Sally E.
7	Janice Marie Copp	Milton E. and Rita H.
7	Laura Elizabeth Gustafson	John A. and Nancy G.
11	Marjorie Dunne	John J. and Roberta
12	Stephen Lindsay King	George W. and Helen A.
12	Jo Anne Prentiss	Thomas M. and Rita L.
13	Robert Alan Stark	Herbert E. and Ruth F.
14	Thomas Nathaniel Wright	Nathaniel C., Jr. and Velma L.
16	Sheila Louise Lacey	Thomas A. and Eloise B.
16	David Moody Small	Norman B., Jr. and Marilyn L.
17	Cheryl Lee Gaw	George V. and Effie E.
17	John William Richmond	William J. and Patricia R.
18	Judith Avis Anderson	Frederick H. and Phyllis A.
18	Carol Anne Freeman	William T., Jr. and Marcelle C.
18	Carl Edward Fennelly	George E., Jr. and Ruth W.
19	Elizabeth Anne Alley	Samuel E. and Myrtle A.
20	William Vernon Bowen	Elwood W. and Barbara J.

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Date	Name	Parents
August		
20	William Edward Hoitsberg	Alfred B. and Edith G.
22	Dorothy Muriel Gray	Frank R., Jr. and Muriel L.
22	Patricia Jean Levasseur	Richard J. and Jean M.
23	Philip Brian Pacino	John B. and Marjorie
26	Wendy Lee Roberts	Kenneth P. and Norma J.
27	Forrest Reed Moore	Carl R., Jr. and Judith
28	Janis Dale Bergin	John P. and Mildred L.
30	James Wallace Dunningham	Wallace L. and Mary E.
30	Michael Alban Sheehan	Alban G. and Mary C.
September		
1	William Kevin Parker	William E., Jr. and Marguerite C.
3	Melody Ann Louanis	Edwin L. and Elizabeth A.
5	Andrea Thorpe Johnson	Paul M. and Margaret D.
6	Peter James Tassi	Attilio T. and Helen M.
6	Richard James Nordin, Jr.	Richard J. and Jeannette
6	Kenneth Bell Wilson	Theodore H. and Carolyn B.
8	Ida Marie Mattera	Richard A. and Margaret
8	Gloria Lynne Marsh	Baxter J., Jr. and Marjorie A.
8	John Lawrence Baer	Maurice E. and Hazel
9	Paul Daniel Good	Paul A. and Mary A.
9	Dudley (Stillborn)	Robert M. and Ernestine E.
9	John Warren Medina, Jr.	John W. and Patricia A.
10	Jan Martha Conner	Robert H. and Gloria M.
11	Peter Waldo Grover	Elbridge W. and Priscilla M.
13	Thomas Allan Cox	John E. and Priscilla
15	Melanie Sue Madden	Paul C. and Marian E.
15	Stephen John Varney	Francis B. and Jeanne
16	Patricia Ann Wood	Francis J. and Grace A.
18	Elaine Sandra Hargraves	Francis J. and Dorothy R.
18	Donna Marie Jarvis	George B., Jr. and Jeanne A.
21	William Sterling Ray	Richard H. and Juaneva R.
22	Paul Joseph Brissette	Gerald E. and Mary E.
22	Elizabeth Conte	Oscar and Margaret L.
23	Cheryl Ann Zitzow	William A. and Stella M.
23	Alan Charles MacLean	Daniel S. and Verna A.
23	Marilyn Marie Sullivan	Charles H. and Mary B.
24	Karen Ann Alward	Dana J. and Josephine L.
24	Bonnie Lee Jonah	Harold F., Jr. and Joann E.
25	Deborah Sharlene Dadley	Lawrence C. and Joan E.
28	Heidi Sue Crimmings	David C. and Anne B.
29	Julie Ellen Pottle	George A. and Vera M.
29	Mary Frances Mullaney	Arthur J. and Gertrude T.

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Date	Name	Parents
September		
30	Carl Gregory Kuczun	Chester G. and Mona L.
30	Benjamin Charles Blackmer	David E. and Julia
30	Cynthia Ann Blackmer	David E. and Julia
October		
2	Bonnie Jo McAdams	Fred A. and Lydia K.
2	Allen Blair Hemenway	Alvin R. and Norma R.
2	Janice Arlene Cleary	Charles W. and Rita T.
8	Walter Arthur VanSchalkwyk	Richard and Pauline A.
10	Veronica Jean D'Antuono	William and Mary
11	Pamela Ann Field	Richard C. and Joan F.
14	Kim Ann Ranlett	James T. and Janice A.
15	Thomas Harold Murphy, Jr.	Thomas H. and Nellie M.
16	Gary Ross Berberian	Albert G. and Dorothy T.
17	Janet Robbins Maloney	Robert M. and Mary E.
18	Susan Ellen Lusteck	Charles F. and Helen M.
18	Joan Virginia McKinley	Chester S. and Rheta J.
20	Edward Peter Surette	Peter E., Jr. and Corinne A.
21	Kenneth Richards Loesch	Buchanan and Jean E.
21	Michael Louis Snowden	Donald J. and Lorraine H.
22	Melissa Ann Jones	Richard N. and Amy E.
23	— Morris	George A. and Mary H.
24	Lloyd Kristian Nordgren, Jr.	Lloyd K. and Irma M.
30	Michael Harold Ryder	Joseph P. and Florence J.
November		
1	Wesley Forbes Bowker	Frederick M. and Natalie M.
5	Elizabeth Carol Davis	Thomas R. and Elizabeth M.
9	Jay Pendergast	Eugene W. and Eleanor
10	Judith Ann Hildreth	Thomas J. and Dorothy
10	Michael Martin Dwyer	Edward H. and Eleanor P.
11	Glenn Allan MacLaughlin	Robert G. and Marion B.
12	Val Edison Deniso	Frank and Isabelle K.
12	Norman Rockwood Nichols	Stuart R. and Gertrude M.
13	Barry Michael Drew	Lawrence and Mary F.
13	Mark Quinlan	Francis X. and Virginia B.
14	David Aylmer Dawson	Donald A. and Helen G.
14	Janet Jepson Leslie	Malcolm B. and Nancy A.
16	Neil John Fairneny	Donald and Jean S.
17	Lee Everett Mallett	Oliver C. and Winnifred D.
17	Maureen Sheehy	John E. and Mary T.
17	Susan Phyllis Heinstrom	Charles W. and Phyllis A.

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Date	Name	Parents
November		
20	Robert Malcolm Wheeler, Jr.	Robert M. and Marjorie H.
21	Duncan Davis Mullins, III	Duncan D., Jr. and Ruth M. P.
24	Peter Scott Teel	Donald T. and Barbara A.
25	Maureen Frances Sullivan	John W. and Marguerite L.
25	Paul Francis Sullivan	John W. and Marguerite L.
25	Lindsay Ann Bartlett	Willard D., Jr. and Jean E.
26	Mary Elizabeth Goulet	Augustus L. and Katherine M.
26	Diane Louis Plouff	Donald L. and Louise M.
29	Nancy Ann Keefe	Frederick J. and Eleanor C.
30	Karen Lee Gardner	Robert C. and Doris A.
30	Cheryl Anne Grenier	William J. and Elizabeth M.

December

3	John Arthur Wordell	Arthur R. and Elizabeth
4	Leo Robert Porter	Leo W. and Margaret A.
5	Joseph Lawrence Faulkner	William H. and Ethel C.
5	Gary Frank Gromyko	Alphonse B. and Janice E.
8	Michael Anthony Sebeika	Joseph and Mary B.
9	James Arthur Richardson	Elwood L., Jr. and Jean E.
10	Janet Irene Rice	Richard B. and Mabel F.
15	Douglas Chase Smith	Raymond A. and Edith M.
16	Stephen Charles Daley	Stephen J. and Patricia B.
20	Alvin Francis Boudreau	Clifford A. and Ida Evelyn
24	William Reginald VanHorn II	Richard E. and Jacquelyn L.
26	Richard Clifford Hatch	Robert A. and Elizabeth
28	Janice Faith Franz	Allan W. and Doris G.
29	William Theodore Martin	Joseph H. and Frances May
30	Peter Matthew Quinlan	Paul M. and Pauline M.

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Date	Name	Parents
1952		
January		
21	Judith Elaine Hoyt	Carl H., Jr. and Dorothy I.
21	Deborah Florence MacCausland	Francis G. and Florence E.
26	Jody St. Hilaire	Francis M. and Marcia
February		
11	Robert Warren Howarth	Charles H. and Ruth F.
12	Michael Edward Flaherty	John M. and Marion G.
13	Keith Alan Hodges	Alan S. and Dorothy J.
21	Susan Sheila Richer	Raymond J. and Claire J.
27	Cynthia Marion Mack	Raymond A. and Marion G.

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Date	Name	Parents
March		
6	Richard Charles Edwards	Hurd L. and Marguerite M.
8	Geraldine Marie Dunn	William K. and Ethel L.
19	Carla Marie Olson	Carl and Eleanore C.
28	Richard Flanders Degel	Ernest T. and Eunice E.
April		
9	Roberta Lee Allison	Donald E. and Margharita M.
18	Marcia Lee Cawley	Harvey and Beulah B.
May		
16	Thomas Monahan	Alfred T. and Joan L.
22	David Michael Ellis	Walter H. and Gertrude E.
June		
19	Michael James Richard	John D., Jr. and Eileen J.
25	Andrea Dudley	Robert M. and Ernestine E.
July		
1	Dorothy Ann Surette	Robert J. and Angela M.
7	Gary Michael Nihan	Richard A., Jr. and Kathleen L.
August		
26	David William Florence	James Earl and Theresa B.
11	— Lothrop	Quincy A. II and Gladys
September		
11	Kristin James MacLeod	Ernest H. and Anna L.
19	John A. Storti, III	John, Jr. and Virginia R.
21	William John Jordan	Raymond J. and Thelma C.
27	— Southwick	Warren S. and Nathalie M.
October		
18	Neil Norman Atkinson	Norman J. and Carol G.
19	Regina Olivia McCullough	John J. and Marie O.
28	Mark John Dobbins	John H. and Gertrud J.
30	Edward Neil McConologue	Edward and Mildred R.
November		
3	Gary Nelson Webster	Richard B. and Helen F.
6	Ruth Charlotte Rankin	James T. and Charlotte
11	Janice Elaine Juergens	Laurence and Jean E.
24	Carolyn Melissa Stutz	John R. and Marguerite Reeves
December		
2	— Bonnet	Henry P. and Elizabeth A.
6	Vincent Francis Cameron, Jr.	Vincent F. and Elinor G.
8	Jeffrey Davis Pierce	Norton T. and Alice
14	Mary Janet Nichols	Robert A. and Mary E.
15	Richard Skitzki	Paul and Pauline
26	Patricia Curran	William J. and Eleanor L.
26	Charles Robert Nichols	Charles H. and Margaret S.

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
January				
1	Donald Russell Walker	24	Teacher	Reading
	Lois Evelyn Hormel	21	Student	Medford
10	Albert Francis Johnson	24	Chauffeur	Saugus
	Eleanor Jane McKenney	22	Bookkeeper	Reading
10	Robert Edward Martin	23	Welding Inspector	Reading
	Dolores Marie Barba	21	Secretary	Quincy
16	David Colburn Carpenter, Jr.	20	Machinist	Reading
	Carol Ann Burns	18	Nurse	Reading
17	Louis C. Berthel	30	Mechanic	Lawrence
	Irene Cornu	20	None	Lawrence
31	Stephen Joseph Miller	26	Chemical Engineer	Reading
	Georgette Delia DeLisle	27	Buyer	Leominster
February				
1	Kenneth Warren King	26	Factory Worker	Reading
	Rita Marie Pacewicz	22	Secretary	Lynn
8	Robert James Tebeau	32	Rubber Worker	Reading
	May Elizabeth Goodwin Dole	34	At Home	Reading
9	Lawrence Carlos Dadley	21	U.S. Navy	Wakefield
	Joan Ethel McSheehy	18	Typist	Reading
14	Gale Herbert Kleiner	25	Wholesale Business	Reading
	Beverly Joan Skidmore	24	Secretary	Reading
21	Donald Carlson Tucker	28	Cabinet Maker	Reading
	Sarah Varney Thompson	28	Bank Clerk	Wakefield
March				
7	William Taft Freeman, Jr.	18	U.S.A.F.	Reading
	Marcelle Claire Gauthier	17	At Home	Dorchester
13	William Henry Behnke	40	Chemist	Reading
	Dorothy Louise Egan	38	Press Operator	Wakefield
15	Stephen John Daley	40	Salesman	Somerville
	Patricia Barbara Ryder			
	Casterline	35	Cashier	Reading
22	Robert George Humphrey	23	Laborer	Reading
	Mary Eleanor Delano			
	Nickerson	26	At Home	Wakefield
22	Henry Carl Druid	25	Meat Cutter	Saugus
	Nancy Boyer Chadwick	22	Bookkeeper	Reading
29	Clarence Raymond Eldredge,			
	Jr.	23	U.S.A.F.	North Reading
	Phyllis Mae O'Donnell	20	Secretary	Reading

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April				
4	Peter Elien Surette, Jr.	23	Shipper	Reading
	Corinne Anne Rightmyer	17	Student	North Reading
5	James Francis Ronan, Jr.	24	Appren. Steamfitter	Marblehead
	Jane Marie Howe	24	Bookkeeper	Reading
5	John Richard Foye	23	Junior Engineer	Wilmington
	Eleanor Ann Fulton	20	Telephone Operator	Reading
10	Robert Crawford Gardner	19	Student	Reading
	Doris Ann Shulkey	19	Student	Reading
11	Francis G. Brennan	31	Postman	Reading
	Catherine Elizabeth Ahearn	21	Secretary	Malden
11	John Joseph Mulveyhill, Jr.	27	Steamship Clerk	Somerville
	Mary Virginia Carney	20	Bookkeeper	Reading
12	Gerald Gray	22	Store Manager	Reading
	Dorothy Agnes Donnell	26	Biller	South Boston
18	Eskil Rudolph Skoglund	49	Trust Clerk	Everett
	Bertha Elizabeth Lyle	50	Sec.-Bkkpr.	Reading
18	Robert Adams Dennison, Jr.	24	U.S. Army	Reading
	Nancy Amalie Hatch	22	School Teacher	Wellesley
25	Ralph Andrew Milley	19	Office Worker	Reading
	Delene Mary Johnston	20	Tel. Operator	Allston
26	Edgar Joseph Merrill	30	Social Worker	Reading
	Eleanor Mary-elizabeth Nigro	24	Teacher	Reading
26	Michael Joseph Gavin, Jr.	24	Salesman	Reading
	Jean Barbara Carter	23	Receptionist	Reading
May				
2	Harold Tyler Robinson	34	U.S. Gov. Clerk	Reading
	Ellen Margareta Wiberg	42	Office Clerk	Reading
3	John Kenneth Campbell	21	U.S. Navy	Reading
	Janet Marie Forbes	18	Stenographer	Reading
3	William Sneddon Dick	26	Technician	Reading
	Mary Bell Larrabee	23	Clerk	Brunswick, Me.
7	Lester James McElhinney	45	Garage Foreman	Reading
	Ruth Eileen Jermyn Crosby	31	Comptometer Oper.	Lynn
9	Robert James Peterson	22	U.S.C.G.	Reading
	Barbara Shirley Mortimer	20	Interior Decorator	Andover
9	Douglas Freeman Brown	25	Installs Lt. Rods	Reading
	Jacqueline Ann Wood	18	Veterinarian Nurse	North Reading
9	Walter Leonard Callahan	28	Expediter	Arlington
	Frances Gertrude Albani	23	Clerk-Stenographer	Reading

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May				
10	Charles Edward Runge	24	U.S. Marine	Reading
	Arlene Veronica Overton			
	Boudreau	33	At Home	Melrose
23	Arthur Carl Hiitt	25	Pipe Coverer	Wakefield
	Janetta Grace Boyd	29	Reg. Nurse	Reading
23	Wesley Freeman Ryan	28	Iron Wkr. Foreman	North Reading
	Florence Caroline McLellan	24	Technician	Reading
23	Robert Frederick Brown	23	Insurance Agent	Reading
	Clarice Irene Jacobs	23	Secretary	Reading
26	Clyde Robert Mills	38	U.S.A.F.	West Virginia
	Helen Louise Lucas Sites			
	Davis	40	Nurse	Virginia
27	Richard Eugene Porter	20	U.S. Army	Reading
	Nancy Irene Lord	18	Housekeeper	North Reading
30	Daniel Joseph Bogan	22	U.S. Marine	Reading
	Ruth Lorraine Lake	18	At Home	North Reading
June				
6	Robert Charles Sherrod	23	Gas Station Attendant	Reading
	Ruth Evelyn Hall	19	Tel. Operator	Reading
6	Joseph Anthony Cincotta	26	Accountant	West Quincy
	Beatrice Elizabeth White	32	Bookkeeper	Reading
6	Vincent Ellsworth Roderick	35	Automobile Salesman	Reading
	Marion Claudine Whynot	28	Secretary	Winchester
7	Everett Ellsworth Ford, Jr.	25	Junior Engineer	Reading
	Doris Nancy Lepore	25	Secretary	Everett
7	Peter Daniel Macdonald	27	Physicist	Reading
	Mary Janet Williamson	28	Technician	Malden
7	Harold Paul Zitzow	32	Electrical Eng.	Reading
	Virginia Baisley	22	Student	Reading
7	Robert Joseph McNulty	19	U.S. Army	Reading
	Therese Louise Herrick	19	Tel. Operator	Melrose
13	Robert Dennis Ameriault	24	U.S.A.F.	Medford
	Arlene Cecelia Muise	20	At Home	Reading
13	Allison Waldo Phinney, Jr.	20	Student	Reading
	Janet Marilyn Bogart	22	Secretary	Kenmore, N.Y.
13	Clifton David Stumme	23	U.S. Navy	Pennsylvania
	Louise Frances Penno	19	I B M Operator	Reading
13	Adolph John Beauchamp, Jr.	25	Florist	Woburn
	Anne Marie O'Malley	21	Insurance Clerk	Reading

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June				
14	Richard Albert Roberts	20	Mechanic	Reading
	Margaret Arlene Fino	20	Tel. Operator	North Reading
14	Kenneth Leo Brown	28	Staff M.I.T.	Reading
	Hildegard Pokorny	19	Student	Austria
15	Robert Vincent Savage, Jr.	21	U.S.A.F.	Reading
	Lois Marie Fienemann	19	Student	Reading
20	Robert Daniel Griffin	25	Machinist	Reading
	Dorothy Eleanor Jordan	21	Office Clerk	North Reading
21	Bruce Taylor MacLeod	19	U.S.A.F.	Reading
	Marsha Belle Cook	16	Salesgirl	Wakefield
27	Lawrence Leo Doucette	28	Electronics	Reading
	Jean Margaret Smith	25	School teacher	Malden
27	Russell Francis Galvin	32	Gas Man	Reading
	Anne Marie Winters	22	Machiner Operator	Andover
27	Kenneth Royden Hancock, Jr.	29	Sales Production	Stoneham
	Natalie Janet DeWolfe	21	At Home	Reading
27	James Edward Dulong	29	Laborer	Reading
	Edna Selena Milley	18	Waitress	Reading
27	Kenneth Walter Dolloff, Jr.	23	Supvsr. Music Ed.	Reading
	Leona Doreen Cooper	22	Bookkeeper	Melrose
28	William Harold Marshall	29	Asst. Treas.	Malden
	Joan-Anne Moore	23	Teacher	Reading
July				
4	Frank Cleveland Urquhart	28	Draftsman	Saugus
	Audrey Thelma Tingdahl	25	Telephone Clerk	Reading
7	Robert Bronner	48	Teacher	Reading
	Marie Langer Tritsch	45	Dress Shop	Newton
11	Richard Anselm Meuse	24	Auto Machinist	Reading
	Joye Arline Moreau	16	At Home	North Reading
17	Robert Earl Runge	19	U.S. Army	Reading
	Dorothy Eleanor Osborne	17	At Home	Reading
August				
1	Roland Eastman Ellis, Jr.	23	Policeman	Reading
	Nancy Carolyn Carlson	17	Salesgirl	Reading
1	Donald Allen Brock	26	Used Car Dealer	North Reading
	Catherine Olga Gaw	25	Machine Operator	Reading
1	Henry Gurney Ingersoll	68	Engineering	Reading
	Geneve Elizabeth Bicknell Turner	50	At Home	Billerica

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August				
1	Henry Shaw Budden	29	Mechanical Engineer	Michigan
	Beverlee Loring Platts	24	Secretary	Reading
2	Frederick George Stepanis	21	U.S. Army	Boston
	Jean Ada Merrow	22	Secretary	Reading
9	William Emerson O'Brien	21	U.S. Navy	Reading
	Barbara Bernadette Banfield	20	Clerk	Reading
15	John Edwin Arsenault	19	U.S.A.F.	Reading
	Frances Louise DelRossi	19	Office Clerk	Wakefield
22	Alfred Perkins Wade	52	Salesman	Reading
	Eleanor Mary Plumstead	42	At Home	Reading
22	Robert Francis Barrett	29	Teacher	Reading
	Lucretia Louise Murphy	26	Typist	Brookline
22	Robert Fugere Sale	29	Draftsman	Arlington
	Evelyn Nancy Fortier	32	Bookkeeper	Reading
22	Ruston Warren Rich	19	Carpenter	Reading
	Dorothy Mae Leighton	20	Stenographer	Medford
29	Ralph John McKenna	23	Jr. Accountant	Cambridge
	Gloria Mae Sampson	21	Office Mach. Oper.	Reading
29	Joseph William Corrado	21	Student	Reading
	Irene Caroline Lander	20	Secretary	Reading
29	David Irving Austin	22	Student	Reading
	Dianne Paige	21	None	Rhode Island

September

4	Robert John Powell	20	Filling Sta. Attendant	Reading
	Carole Abbie Armstrong	20	Typist	Reading
5	Parker Lee Bogan	26	Sales Clerk	Reading
	Mary Elizabeth Bond	33	Secretary	Cochituate
5	Charles Evan Keene	25	Commercial Artist	Reading
	Janice Ann Cameron	19	Secretary	Wakefield
6	John Edwin Lewis	20	Student	South Africa
	Dorothy Martin Davison	21	Student	Reading
6	Harold Pascal Vega	21	Box Factory	Revere
	Rita Claire Masiello	21	Shoe Worker	Reading
12	Lawrence James McCue	23	U.S. Army	Boston
	Mary Carol Fulton	23	Bank Clerk	Reading
12	Charles Bernard Powers	24	Student	Reading
	Barbara Ann Cassely	21	Secretary	North Reading
12	William John O'Brien	26	Shoe Worker	Wakefield
	Ann Cecilia Doucette	22	Switchboard Oper.	Reading

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
September				
12	William Ira Davis	38	Safety Engineer	Brookline
	Marian Goodridge	30	Bookkeeper	Reading
12	George Albert Anderson	23	Student	Reading
	Joan Audrey Bartlett	22	Reg. Nurse	Lynn
13	Ernest Sydney Johnson	54	Vice President	Reading
	Grace Catherine Curtis	41	Trust Officer	Reading
19	Elmer Eugene DeCoster	34	Freight Handler	Reading
	Betty Pauline Morse	30	Book Bindery	Cambridge
20	Leo Francis O'Toole	29	Assembler	Wakefield
	Mildred Louise Bennett	29	Clerk	Reading
23	Robert Everett Dodge	20	U.S. Army	Reading
	Joyce Yvonne Thompson	19	Stitcher	Danvers
25	Glenn Woodford Smith	28	Salesman	Sioux City, Iowa
	Hester Frye Cargill	25	Office Clerk	Reading
26	Elmer Francis White	35	Boston Stove Foundry	Reading
	Mary Helen Nickowal	32	Table Worker	New Bedford
26	Vincent Cornelius Connors	26	Insurance Clerk	Dorchester
	Margaret Theresa O'Keeffe	27	Secretary	Reading
26	Theodore Roosevelt Watson	28	Plumber	Reading
	Phyllis May Lindquist	26	Bank Clerk	Reading
26	Ruben Clyde Estes	22	U.S. Navy	LaGrange, Ga.
	Patricia Ann Cullen	18	Telephone Operator	Malden
30	Carl David Arsenault	21	Construction Worker	Reading
	Shirley Jane Rau	23	Telephone Operator	No. Billerica
October				
3	Lemuel Herbert Howe	27	Sales Rep.	Reading
	Jean Alberta McKenney	23	Office Mgr.	Melrose
4	Robert Edward Dacey	24	Technician	Reading
	Esther Lillian Visalli	23	At Home	Belmont
5	Ronald Albert Jehan	21	Plbg. & Htg.	New Haven, Conn.
	Joan Bernice Silverio	21	Library Assistant	Reading
7	William Luke Aldrich	75	Retired	Reading
	Alice Mary Hamlin	60	Housekeeper	Reading
9	Warren Burppe Gaw	32	Truck Driver	Reading
	Virginia Mickle	18	At Home	Melrose
10	Louis Julio Angelone	29	Woodworker	Newton
	Ann (Kisik) Kucher	37	At Home	Cambridge
10	John Joseph Herbert, Jr.	25	G.M. Acc Corp.	Malden
	Margaret Ellen Tanner	25	Secretary	Reading

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
October				
10	Robert Allan Young	23	U.S. Navy	Norwood
	Ann Drocey David	23	Dietitian	Reading
10	Francis Xavier Malone	24	Electrician	Reading
	Margaret Ann Donovan	24	Secretary	Roslindale
10	Edward Francis Hurley, Jr.	22	Advertising	Billerica
	Lois Annie Milne	25	Payroll Clerk	Reading
11	James Leon Hadge	23	Printer	Boston
	Josephine Pacillo	26	Tester	Reading
11	Francis Samuel Grande	31	Machine Operator	Cambridge
	Carolyn Ann Ellis	22	Typist	Reading
17	Anthony Arthur Leach	23	Exec. Secretary	Reading
	Nancy Fay Middleton	22	Verse Writer	Reading
24	John Henry LeFave	25	Spreader Helper	Reading
	Dorothy Virginia Poore	17	Proof Reader	Reading
24	Louis William Young	18	Farmer	Reading
	June Louise Croteau	19	Salesgirl	Reading
31	Paul Dana Surdam	23	Bank Clerk	Reading
	Janice Audrey Kirk	22	Nurse	Wakefield

November

1	William Fisher	20	Machinist	North Reading
	Joan E. Sullivan	17	Salesgirl	North Reading
1	John Earl LeBlanc, also known as John Earl White	32	Machinist	Reading
	Domenica Mary Passamonte	28	With Copley Shoe	Wakefield
1	Richard William McSheehy	22	Lab. Engineer	Reading
	Helene Marie Warwick	19	Secretary	Dorchester
4	Donald Ray Scroggins	21	Mechanic	Lynn
	Arlene Marie Jacobs	18	Shoe Worker	Reading
5	George David Podolsky	28	Salesman	Dorchester
	Ruth Catherine C. Magnuson	33	Salesgirl	Reading
6	Leo Charles Downing	21	Factory Worker	Malden
	Mary Theresa Blake	21	Tel. Operator	Reading
7	Charles Jeremiah Cullinane	25	I.B.M. Operator	Reading
	Margaret Patricia Kearns	24	Secretary	Woburn
7	Joseph Emmanuel Gallant	32	Tender	Reading
	Laurette Anne Muise	28	Draftsman	Malden
7	Bradley Earle Steele	21	Student	Reading
	Pauline Marion Crosby	21	Nurse	Reading

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
November				
7	Jackson Everett Wignot	36	Aeronautical Eng.	Reseda, Cal.
	Dorothy Elizabeth Stanley	32	Secretary	Reading
8	Robert Maxwell Moore	19	Shipper	Reading
	Ruth Elaine Marshall	22	Clerk	Reading
12	Alfred Higgins	69	Retired Teacher	Adamsville, R.I.
	Alice Milner Dyer	59	Maid	Arlington, Va.
14	Paul Louis Doucette	20	U.S.A.F.	Reading
	Margaret Mary Callahan	20	W.A.C.	Norwood
14	Leonard Paul Hoyt	21	Patrolman	Reading
	Patricia Ann Leonard	20	Secretary	Stoneham
15	Richard Thomas Howe	19	Clerk	Reading
	Jean Marie O'Dowd	19	Bank Clerk	Reading
20	Willard Arthur Ballou	20	Stock Room	Reading
	Carole Ann Jarvis	19	Sales Clerk	Charlestown
28	John Winship Lyons	22	U.S. Army	Reading
	Grace Catherine Hanley	22	U.S. Army	North Reading
28	Richard Spence Bateman	22	Salesman	Reading
	Dorothy Agnes Walsh	24	Office Clerk	Malden
December				
19	Robert Louis LaFrance	20	U.S. Army	Conn.
	Nancy May Gifford	18	Clerk	Reading
19	DeMelle Charles Garey	24	Cartographer	Reading
	Marion Elizabeth Anderson	23	Registered nurse	Rhode Island
20	Arthur W. Cyr	42	Salesman	Salem
	Priscilla S. Hathaway	37	At home	Reading
24	Edward Albert Dulong	35	Surveyor	Reading
	Gloria Alma Dion Till	31	Waitress	Turners Falls
24	Napoleon Edward Godreau	61	Carpenter	Andover
	Margaret Eleanor Greene	45	Mill operative	Lawrence
26	Edward Ira Gadbois	20	U.S. Army	Reading
	Claire Ruth Burnes	20	Bookkeeper	Reading
26	Richard Joseph Surette	20	U.S. Army	Reading
	Beverley Amm Hatch	18	Waitress	No. Reading
27	Edward Charles Noonan	30	Hoisting Engineer	Wakefield
	Patricia Ann Connelly	22	Asst. buyer	Reading
27	Robert Dufresne	23	Navy Photographer	Reading
	Olive Winifred Sawyer	22	Photographer	Camden, Me.
27	William T. Murphy, Jr.	20	Hotel worker	No. Reading
	Gloria G. Stewart	16	At home	Wilmington

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
December				
31	LeRoy Henry Wells	26	Machine operator	Woburn
	Ruth Virginia Barrett Hardy	26	Assembler	Reading
31	Malcolm Craik Popp	42	Pressman	Reading
	Dorothy Alberta Dahlquist	37	Stenographer	Revere
31	Richard Cruze Hooper	29	Piano technician	Boston
	Avis Shirley Knight	25	Clerk	Reading
31	Roy Richard Farr	23	Florist	Reading
	Doris Elynore Anderson	18	At home	No. Reading

DEATHS REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
January					
1	Walter Joseph Garnett	85	9	7	Cerebral hemorrhage
2	Mary Castine (Muisse)	88	8	4	Coronary thrombosis
5	Ernest Clinton Alward	80	4	19	Ch. retention with uremia
6	Marie Velnette Willcox	82	0	0	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
7	Catherine A. Miller (McAteer)	75	2	8	Carcinoma of large intestine
8	Edith Batchelder	88	7	25	Fracture of Rt. hip
8	Josephine Whittier Newell	67	6	21	Cerebral hemorrhage
9	Guy E. Hayward	67	2	21	Chronic myocarditis
9	— Runge	0	0	0	Stillborn
10	Flora Grover	73	0	0	Fracture of skull
15	Mary Emma Congdon (Campbell)	56	7	25	Sarcoma of Rt. lung
16	Michael O'Donnell	58	8	20	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
19	Frederick Joseph Moss	90	0	4	Heart disease
19	Anna Andersen Reck	70	0	0	Pulmonary embolus
27	Margaret S. Simpson (Lockwood)	75	4	4	Cerebral hemorrhage
28	Harry Granville Porch	78	11	26	Acute myocardial infarction
31	David W. Davis	77	0	0	Compound fracture of skull
February					
1	Samuel Mathew McEwen	87	7	28	Coronary thrombosis
4	Bertha Elizabeth Eaton (Alchorn)	80	6	1	Gastric hemorrhage
5	Gordon Gay MacIntire	59	7	2	Coronary thrombosis
8	Marie Elizabeth Walsh	68	5	27	Hodgkins disease
8	Margaret Louise Ellis	74	10	0	Acute pulmonary edema
9	Thomas Henry Ward Clark	54	1	19	Cerebral embolus
11	Emma A. Merrill	91	4	2	Arteriosclerosis
11	Marion G. Dulong (Enos)	60	0	0	Carcinomatosis
14	Morton Allison Thomas	81	4	8	Thrombosis
15	James Lloyd Locke	77	6	2	Cancer of the Pelvic bone
15	Winifred M. Dow	85	2	15	Fracture of Left hip
17	Effie Grace Wildon (McKay)	55	10	6	Thrombosis left femoral artery
21	Ralph Elliott Roxbee	40	3	24	Gunshot wounds of head
22	Connie Jean Payne	0	4	8	Interstitial pneumonia
24	Clara Wilder (Clarkson)	60	3	13	Carcinoma
24	Joseph Edward Wood Greene	88	2	7	Cerebral thrombosis
24	Fred Marr	67	0	17	Staphylococcus septicemia
24	Minnie J. Pease (Johnson)	85	2	0	Coronary occlusion
25	Lizzie Louise Abbott (Weston)	93	2	3	Arteriosclerosis
26	Sarah Theresa Harper	51	6	9	Rheumatic heart disease
28	Mary Z. Greene (West)	83	1	6	Arteriosclerotic heart disease

DEATHS REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
March					
2	William Hezekiah Terhune	69	4	23	Hypertensive arteriosclerotic heart disease
4	Charles William Schneider	61	1	6	Cardiac Infarction
4	Abigail Marie Harris (McGarry)	68	0	0	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
6	Amelia Nicholaides (Canzono)	51	0	0	Hypertensive heart disease
8	John W. Hogan	71	4	4	Mesenteric thrombosis
9	Edward W. McBrien	72	2	23	Carcinomatosis
9	Minnie J. Appleton (Smith)	77	0	0	Hypertensive heart disease
10	Edith Belle Golloday (Brown)	77	8	21	Heart disease
13	Helen Wilson	82	3	18	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
13	Carrie Hayes (Fernald)	82	2	14	Cerebral thrombosis
13	Idella Milliken	90	11	12	Cerebral hemorrhage
22	Josephine Mansfield (Smiley)	84	8	5	Cardiac decompensation
24	Ella Frances (Besso) Epolite	77	6	25	Cerebral hemorrhage
26	Christina Smith (Thyberg)	92	10	2	Arteriosclerosis
30	John Mark Hubbard	76	0	0	Acute respiratory infection
31	Frances Elizabeth Bridge (Gleason)	81	3	8	Metastatic carcinoma
April					
2	Alice E. Lampro Doyle	39	2	25	Coronary thrombosis
3	Ella F. Mansell (Virgin)	90	6	20	Cerebral hemorrhage
4	Josephine M. Chamberlain	95	2	2	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
7	Percy Niles Carter	84	3	6	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
10	Bessie P. Oram (Nash)	78	10	24	Carcinomatosis
17	Alice Bell (Eaton)	67	1	1	Carcinomatosis
18	Frank Herbert Hamilton	88	8	6	Broncho pneumonia
19	Ellen Vielle (Merrithew)	92	8	28	Senility
20	Mary C. Westbrook	86	1	26	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
30	Charles Ritchie Wakeling	62	11	29	Heart disease
May					
5	George Aaron Kasabian	64	0	0	Heart disease
7	Sarah J. Fitzgerald	85	0	7	Cardio-Renal arteriosclerotic disease
9	— O'Brien	0	0	0	Stillborn
15	Mary Frances Yeaton	75	11	26	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
19	Linda Joan Rixon	2	9	23	Accidental drowning
19	Wayne Thomas Lydstone	3	0	19	Accidental drowning
19	Ross Henry Worth	75	0	28	Heart disease
21	Willis Clinton Foster	51	8	18	Acute hemorrhagic pancreatitis
30	Ida E. Hutchins (Tibbetts)	73	5	21	Cerebral hemorrhage

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Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
June					
1	Rhyspah M. (Andrews) Adams	71	1	22	Lymphosarcoma retroperi- toneal lymph glands
2	Agnes Elizabeth McElhinney Wass	88	3	4	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
4	James Henry Farrell	60	9	23	Ch. myocarditis
7	Edith Frances Tucker (Whitney)	85	9	19	Cardiac insufficiency
9	Agnes M. Woodman (Foley)	70	0	0	Cerebral hemorrhage
9	Mary Jean Bolles, Livingston	69	11	15	Septicemia
13	Fred Alanson Curtis	71	7	1	Carcinoma
15	William Henry Edwards	35	3	25	Carbon monoxide
18	Clara Novello (Dykeman) Steeves	87	6	17	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
18	Dennis M. Kelleher	74	10	7	Cer. hemorrhage
18	Roger William Pine	62	5	21	Carcinoma
20	Leon Adams	62	4	8	Aortic thrombi uremia
20	Grace Nina (Wilder) Miner	68	9	9	Heart disease
20	Frances A. Mullin (Callahan)	79	0	0	Cerebral hemorrhage
21	Samuel Russell MacDonald	77	9	4	Cerebral thrombosis
25	Edith Buckle Jewett	64	0	15	Coronary thrombosis
25	Edward Hamilton	96	3	21	Pneumonia
26	Winifred Emily McClintock (Gleason)	68	0	18	Acute congestive failure
27	Alice Frances Swenson	87	2	3	Infarction of brain
July					
2	Samuel H. Johnson	73	1	18	Carcinoma of liver
2	Margaret (McArdle) White	70	11	24	Cerebral hemorrhage
2	Harry Mahoney	73	9	15	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
7	Ethel B. Blackmur	80	11	14	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
8	Everett Sanborn Page	57	10	9	Heart disease
10	Mary L. (Wilson) Russell	86	4	1	Ch. myocarditis
11	John J. Galvin	62	9	23	Coronary thrombosis
11	Florence Loretta Sargeant (McLeavy)	71	6	9	Cerebral hemorrhage
17	Laura Bell Calvin (Clayton)	62	0	10	Hypertensive heart disease
18	Marilyn Joan Berry	19	9	9	Sarcoma femur
19	James A. Dulong	71	7	27	Ch. myocarditis
20	Sidney J. Kelly	65	9	17	Myocardial rupture
21	George Carlton Ross	48	6	21	Heart disease
21	James W. Burns	81	6	9	Osteogenic sarcoma
22	Lottie Long (Holmes)	71	3	23	Carcinoma lung
27	Evan Evans Keene	83	10	14	Carcinoma prostate

DEATHS REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
August					
2	— Killilea			5	hours Prematurity
10	Mrs. Adeline E. (Parker) Lewis	75	5	2	Carcinoma of ovary
14	George Evans Berry	86	9	13	Carcinoma prostate
19	William Hoag	82	9	1	Paralysis agitana
26	Mabel F. (Temple) Springford	79	10	2	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
27	Florence Gertrude King	71	11	29	Broncho pneumonia
28	Harold Frederick Tompkins	59	3	27	Carcinoma esophagus
31	Paula G. Chaffee	4	1	0	Diffuse bronchiolitis
September					
1	Mrs. Beatrice M. Cheney (Hines)	71	3	18	Phlebo thrombosis
3	Mary M. Mason (McKelvey)	45	7	9	Carcinoma of pancreas
7	Vendla W. Sundberg (nee Jacobson)	79	0	10	Bronchopneumonia
9	Walter Anthony Scanlon	52	11	23	Cardiac — sudden death
9	Elmira F. (Dolliver) Peters	73	6	2	Generalized arteriosclerosis
9	Baby Boy Dudley	0	0	0	Stillborn
10	Percy Newhall Sweetser	71	2	21	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
11	Margaret Ella Bowron	69	5	29	Metastatic carcinoma
12	Percy L. Horrock	67	1	16	Cerebral thrombosis
13	Emma Susan Page	89	0	14	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
14	Ada (Dollen) Gloucester	95	1	6	Sudden death
16	George M. White	82	0	0	Cerebral hemorrhage
18	Annis Curtis Perry	80	5	14	Metastatic carcinoma
23	Allan Charles MacLean	0	0	0	Stillborn
28	Agahta Carrubba Corindia	71	7	20	Carcinomatosis liver
October					
1	Jeremiah Francis Galvin	68	3	4	Carcinoma rectum
2	Gardner Truman Scott	55	0	0	Hypernephroma
3	Louise F. Hines (Laubinger)	83	10	12	Uraemia
5	Cora Julia Jaquith	78	3	20	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
7	George Mitchell Tierney	53	3	25	Cerebral hemorrhage
7	Ida Christina Smith (Elderkin)	74	3	14	Carcinoma of liver
9	Walter Arthur Boulter	75	5	23	Coronary thrombosis
13	Martin W. Helrich	74	6	11	Ca. of descending colon
14	Amelia Emily Oberlander	77	5	13	Cardiac decompensation
17	Edward Theodore Howes	67	8	16	Heart disease
20	Richard Fenwood Loring	84	7	0	Lobar pneumonia
21	Jeanne P. Wilshere	0	2	30	Hydrocephalus
22	Bertha Gould Parker (Buckle)	67	10	5	Heart disease

DEATHS REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1953

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
October					
23	— Morris	35	min.		Atelectasis
25	Jennie Lydia (Nelson) Brown	80	0	0	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
27	Maude (Dustin) Manning	82	1	19	Acute congestive failure
27	Florence N. Stickney Harris	91	10	27	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
27	Bertha Elsie Tingley (DeBolle)	72	6	24	Carcinoma uterus
28	Julia Vonja Cotton Frazee	86	5	14	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
29	Herbert W. Lewis	66	6	11	Heart disease
November					
17	Gladys (Cobb) Noonan	61	2	16	Ruptured oesophageal varix
17	Agnes F. Smith	73	0	0	Carcinomatosis
18	Albert T. Lawson	57	1	13	Term. broncho-pneumonia
24	Ruth Currier	42	2	23	Carcinoma of breast
25	George William Cook	73	10	14	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
27	William Herbert Carter	51	7	11	Heart disease
29	Mary J. Watts Morrison	79	4	7	Arteriosclerosis
29	Mary Jane Foley	79	0	0	Cerebral arteriosclerosis
December					
1	Baby Grenier	0	0	1	Pulmonary Atelectasis
3	Eben Hall Ballard	84	10	5	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
5	Beatrice Mildred Dabney nee Gunter	67	10	7	Cerebral hemorrhage
5	Ida Mathilda Englund (Anderson)	74	9	14	Meningitis
6	Helen O'Shea	56	11	26	Peritonitis
7	Marion Preston Horton (MacDougall)	51	4	23	Abdominal carcinomatosis
8	Clara (Morrison) Parker	74	5	5	Cerebral hemorrhage
14	John Irwin	86	0	8	Generalized arteriosclerosis
17	Oscar Frederick Schumann	77	11	22	Coronary thrombosis
22	Lorraine Brown	2	4	30	Bronchopneumonia
26	Frances (Thompson) Pratt	74	9	15	Coronary thrombosis
27	Bruce K. Bredbury	5	8	18	Bronchopneumonia
27	Frances E. Seiler	63	1	24	Uremia
28	Irving Lewis Cobb	77	8	24	Cerebral hemorrhage
30	Amy Mildred Walsh (Sellers)	55	11	12	Hodgkins disease

DELAYED RECORD OF DEATHS IN TOWN OF READING 1952

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
December					
4	Harriet E. (MacArthur) Lyle	80	9	2	Cardio-vascular renal disease
20	Krickel K. Carrick	73	11	7	Coronary thrombosis

NOTICE TO PARENTS, HOUSEWIVES, PHYSICIANS AND MID-WIVES

Your attention is called to the sections below taken from the revised laws. Blank forms for return of birth can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

General Laws, Chap. 46, Sec. 3 (Tercentenary Edition) (As Amended By Chapter 326, Section One, Acts of 1939)

Every physician, or hospital medical officer registered under section nine of chapter one hundred and twelve, in this chapter called officer, shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge, showing date and place of birth, the name, if any, of the child, its sex and color, the name, age, birthplace, occupation and residence (including the street number, if any, and the ward number if in a city) of each parent, the maiden name of the mother and the name of the physician or officer, if any, personally attending the birth. If the child is illegitimate, the name of and other facts relating to the father shall not be set forth except upon written request of both the father and mother; provided that if an illegitimate child shall have become legitimate by the intermarriage of his parents and the acknowledgement of his father, as provided in section seven of chapter one hundred and ninety, prior to the mailing or delivery of any report herein required, such report shall read in all respects, as if such child had been born to such parents in lawful wedlock. Said physician or officer shall, within 15 days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the town where such birth occurred, a report stating the facts herein above required to be shown on said record and also the said written request, if any; provided that if said report is not so made within forty-eight hours after such birth, said physician, or officer shall, within said forty-eight hours mail or deliver to said clerk or registrar a notice stating the date and place of the birth, the street number, if any, the ward number, if in a city, and the family name. Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported. Any physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars. The said town clerk or registrar shall file daily with the local board of health a list of all births reported to him, showing, as to each, the date of birth, sex, color, family name, residence; ward and physician or officer in charge.

Within sixty days after the date of the birth of any child born in the commonwealth with visible congenital deformities, or any condition apparently acquired at birth which may lead to crippling, the physician in attendance upon said births shall prepare upon a form provided by the state department of public health and file with the clerk of the town where such birth occurred a report setting forth such visible congenital deformity, or any condition apparently acquired at birth which may lead to crippling.

Said clerk shall transmit forthwith to said department such supplementary report of such birth. The contents of such report shall be solely for the use of said department in connection with its functions relative to crippled children, and such report shall not be open to public inspection or constitute a public record.

General Laws, Chap. 46, Sec. 6

Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his home, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such child is born.

General Laws, Chapter 111

Sections 110 and 111, require physicians, registered hospital medical officers, nurses or other attendants to report at once to the local board of health, every child one or both of whose eyes become inflamed, swollen and red and show an unnatural discharge within two weeks after birth.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board for the Town of Reading is constituted as an advisory committee to promote the health, safety, convenience, morals or welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Reading. Our principal objective is suggesting means through zoning to prevent over-crowding of land, undue concentration of population. In doing this we have in mind reducing street congestion, securing safety from fire and panic, and facilitating adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, schools, parks and other public requirements. Attendance at public hearings, Board of Appeal Meetings and Board of Survey presentations with such recommendations as we may have is a major concern of our Board. We have met with developers in an advisory capacity and have held such public hearings as were requested of us by the citizens of the Town.

During the past year we have supplied two members to The Capital Expenditures Planning Committee and one member to the committee investigating Reading industrial potential.

The year 1953 has seen the Zoning by-law amended by the Town Meeting and approved by the Attorney-General's Office. This became effective May 14, 1953, and as a result of a great deal of our effort in 1952. We have revised Town Map No. 1 as of August 1953 and have had a supply printed.

We feel that Reading's growth and the changes resulting from this expansion offer many and varied problems which we shall endeavor in conjunction with other interested Boards and citizens to answer with recommendations.

A. LLOYD DAVID, Chairman
ROBERT G. CLINCH, Secretary
ERNEST CORINDIA
BENJAMIN M. HARTSHORN, JR.
CHARLES WILSON

REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL

January 15, 1954

To the Law Committee of the Town of Reading:

I submit my report as Town Counsel for the year 1953 as follows:

Deeds were prepared for the conveyance of land to the Town on Pleasant Street under authority of the acceptance of the gift from H. W. Hunt Co. for the use of such land for recreational purposes.

The final claim for damages for the taking of land by right of eminent domain for school purposes was settled under authority of vote of the Law Committee and the necessary confirmatory deeds and releases were prepared and recorded as required by Law.

Certain amendments to the Zoning By-Law were drafted and after adoption by the Town were presented to the Attorney General for approval. Tax titles were foreclosed in the Land Court and prosecuted to final decree and proceedings under the Low Value Statute were commenced and concluded by the sale of the property. Amendments to the traffic regulations were prepared and the contract for the construction of the Haven Street Municipal Parking area was prepared and the execution supervised including the furnishing of the performance bond.

Taking was made by eminent domain for five lots of land to be added to the site for the new high school and the claim of the owners for settlement of damages was effected under authority from the Law Committee and the necessary deeds and releases were prepared and executed by the owners of the land.

Four lawsuits pending in the Middlesex Superior Court based upon claims for personal injury and property damage were settled under authority of vote of the Law Committee and one case pending in the District Court for personal injury also has been settled, and the releases and final disposition of the cases were presented and filed in Court.

Rules and regulations for the Fire Department were supervised and approved.

The proceedings commenced in the Middlesex Probate Court in connection with the gift to the Town of a swimming pool under the terms of the Will of Ethel Edna Grant has been finally disposed of under decree of the Court providing for the payment to the Town of \$35,609.96 to be held in trust until such time as sufficient money is accumulated, either by appropriation or additional gifts, for the construction of the swimming pool. Before this case was settled, it was necessary to secure and have executed release of condition in the deed of gift to the Town of Memorial Park so as to permit the Town to locate the swimming pool in Memorial Park if the Town voted to do so.

Orders of Taking were drafted for the acquisition of sewer easements for the construction of the main trunkline sewer to serve the new high school, and notices were drafted to be served on the owners and mortgagees, and in cases where settlements were effected, confirmatory deeds and releases were executed and delivered by the owners of the land.

I have collected certain accounts due the Town under the Old Age Assistance Law and have prepared and delivered the discharges of real estate liens.

Four suits were brought against the Town in Middlesex Superior Court. Pleadings have been completed, interrogatories to be answered under oath by the claimants have been filed and the cases are pending upon the Court docket until otherwise disposed of by settlement or trial. Several claims have been made against the Town for personal injuries and damages to motor vehicles resulting from accidents on highways, and several claims have been made resulting from blasting operations carried on by the Public Works Department. Three of such claims have been settled by approval of the Law Committee. Such claims have been investigated for the protection of the Town. Proceedings in the nature of an appeal under the Town Zoning By-Law against the Board of Appeal were commenced by the residents in the vicinity of 178 Lowell Street in the Middlesex Superior Court, and after the pleadings were completed and before the case was tried, the applicant for the variation of the Zoning By-Law withdrew his petition and the Board of Appeal rescinded their decision and final decree was entered by the Court dismissing the appeal. The Planning Board, claiming to be aggrieved by the decision of the Board of Appeal in a case involving premises on West Street, has filed an appeal in Middlesex Superior Court and the pleadings are to be completed in the immediate future, and the case will be continued on the Court docket until disposed of by trial and final decree. There are now five cases against the Town pending in Middlesex Superior Court.

Orders of Taking for slope easements in connection with the layout and construction of Parkview Road and Oakland Road were prepared and notices sent to the owners of the land.

Two appeals from the Board of Assessors valuation of real estate have been commenced before the Appellate Tax Board and will be disposed of as soon as the cases are reached for trial. Three appeals are now pending before the Appellate Tax Board.

I have attended on Monday evenings throughout the year the regular meetings of the Board of Selectmen and as provided by the regulations of the Town I have performed every professional act required by me in the performance of the duties of my office including in part, appearances in Court, and hearings before Boards or Commissions, prosecutions of claims in behalf of the Town, opinions to all Town Boards and Committees, investigation of accident cases and claims against the Town, drafting deeds, releases, redemption deeds, discharges of Old Age Assistance bonds and mortgages and releases of real estate liens, amendments to traffic regulations, by-laws, retirement of veterans employed by the Town, articles and motions for Town meetings, proofs of claim in bankruptcy for the Electric Light Department, notices of claims against estates of deceased persons filed in the Probate Court, desist orders for violation of Zoning By-Law, releases for payment of wages due deceased employees, preparation and filing of pleadings in the Superior, District and Land Courts, and such other legal matter referred to me for my attention.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL H. DAVIS

Town Counsel

BOARD OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Fred L. Nutter, Chairman	Term expires 1955
David E. Hersee, Secretary	" " 1956
M. Russell Meikle	" " 1956
William P. Pierpont	" " 1955
Edouard N. Dube	" " 1954
Ernest E. Brown	" " 1954

Superintendent
HAROLD F. DAVIS

Office
Room 5, Municipal Building

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Board of Cemetery Trustees,
Town of Reading, Mass.
Gentlemen:

The Superintendent's Report on the operation of the Town Cemeteries, Laurel Hill and Forest Glen, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1953, and the Department's 216th year of operation, (first burial Dec. 7, 1737), is herewith submitted.

This Department's net operation percentage of the amount raised by taxation for the past three years is as follows:

Year	Net Cemetery Expenditure	Net Amount Raised by Taxation	Per- centage
1951	\$16,963.77	\$1,190,628.81	1.42
1952	\$20,568.92*	\$1,262,775.82	1.628*
1953	\$18,617.98	\$1,438,398.50	1.29

* This amount includes a Capital Expenditure of \$2,000.00 for a new Dump Truck .158%.

Our records show 96 interments for the year. The statistics for the calendar year 1953 are as follows:

	Laurel Hill	Forest Glen	Total
Interments	47	43	90
Cremation Interments	5	1	6
Foundations:			
Monuments	3	21	24
Markers	16	6	22
Graves Repaired	28	7	35
Lots sold:			
4 Grave	0	8	8
3 Grave	0	7	7
2 Grave	0	13	13
Single Graves	0	6	6
Baby Graves	0	3	3
Welfare Graves, gratis	0	1	1

Eleven old lots in Laurel Hill Cemetery had perpetual care put on them during 1953.

The total number of lots and graves sold and interments made to date are as follows:

Cemetery	Lots	Single Graves	Interments
Laurel Hill	1413	1142	6843
Forest Glen	297	79	360
Total	1710	1221	7203

In addition to the annual tree surgery program, three large poplar trees adjacent to Willow Avenue were removed with the assistance of the Tree and Moth Department.

The outer granite wall of the Old Parish Tomb in the rear of the Center School was torn down and rebuilt. This Tomb was built originally by John Damon in 1819.

Several paths were filled in and turfed. A brick manhole was constructed at the upper Main Street Gate, replacing a wooden water meter box.

Over a period of the past seven and one-half years, by renovation and new construction, the Service Building at Laurel Hill now excels for its operational efficiency and compactness, most service buildings throughout New England.

With the exception of a Lindsay Air Compressor and a Jacobsen Power Mower, all old equipment has been replaced. These two items should be replaced within the next two years.

At Forest Glen an additional area is being prepared for development.

Since the 3rd of July our Office, located for over 25 years in Room 16, Municipal Building, was taken over by the Board of Public Works and a much smaller office, Room 5, was allocated to this Department. This change made it necessary for the Department to purchase new office equipment and furniture to fit the smaller quarters.

At this time appreciation is expressed to the other Departments of the Town for their cooperation.

The financial statement will appear in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. DAVIS
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Report of the Superintendent as submitted by him is hereby approved by the Board of Cemetery Trustees and constitutes its Report to the Town.

FRED L. NUTTER, Chairman
DAVID E. HERSEE, Secretary
EDOUARD N. DUBE
WILLIAM P. PIERPONT
M. RUSSELL MEIKLE
ERNEST E. BROWN

Board of Cemetery Trustees

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of Reading:

1. This Board is established and elected under the provisions of Section 1, Chapter 41, General Laws and operated generally to supervise the public health locally, under the provisions of Chapter 111, General Laws as amended.

2. Costs of operation and percentage of Town expenditures for the past three years are as follows:

1951	\$ 18,010.00	1.55% of town total
1952	18,702.00	1.49% of town total
1953	19,243.00	1.34% of town total

3. Functions of the Board are briefly as follows:

A. We supervise your health from birth to death, literally as follows: Ensuring that adequate pre-natal care is available to expectant mothers, providing for the hospital care of premature infants in cases of need, a well baby clinic is operating under the supervision of a competent pediatrician, free immunization of pre-school and school children for diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus is available, a dental clinic for needy children is operated with the co-operation of the school health department, hospitalization is provided for diseases dangerous to the public health, particularly tuberculosis, we supervise and regulate day nurseries and kindergarten that the children attend and we even see to it that the dogs, that might bite your children, are vaccinated against rabies.

B. Complete supervision of the foods you eat is in operation, milk must be pasteurized and is regularly tested for butter fat, total solids and bacteria, restaurants are inspected and the owners instructed in the proper storage and handling of perishable food-stuffs.

C. The houses you live in come under our care, even before you build, you must have our approval of the site as far as disposal of surface drainage and sewer disposal is concerned, when and after you build the plumbing and sewer disposal systems must meet our requirements and under the provisions of the Tenement Act, State Laws, we can condemn your home if you do not maintain it in such a fashion that it continues to be fit for human habitation.

D. The environment in which you live is kept reasonably clean and sweet by our power to abate nuisances. All offensive trades are strictly regulated.

E. Your animals do not escape our watchful eye; you must be licensed to keep cows, goats, swine, poultry, mink, chinchilla, game birds or horses and we require that they be kept in a clean manner when permitted. If they get killed on the highways we pick them up and dispose of them.,

4. A major accomplishment of this Board in 1953 was the mass X-ray survey of 4,787 Reading people out of an estimated 9,021 eligible

adults, or 53.07% of the eligible population. This was done at a net cost to the Town of Reading of 8 cents each. Out of this number we found 81 previously undiscovered cases of pulmonary or cardiovascular disease. Assuming that the total cost was to discover these cases, that makes a net cost of \$4.50 for each newly discovered case.

We gratefully acknowledge the material, financial and physical help of the State Department of Public Health, Middlesex Health Association, Visiting Nurse Association, Mrs. Margaret Clewly, R.N., School Nurse, Tuberculosis Committee and local volunteers which made this program possible.

5. Problems:

A. At some future date this Board should have a full time clerk and a public health nurse.

B. Garbage collection and disposal is not properly a function of this Board. This is progressively a more serious problem due to the increasing size of the town, difficulty with efficient contractors, present law requirement that garbage be boiled before feeding to swine.

We recommend that this service be a function of the Board of Public Works because;

That Board has the experience with such personnel and equipment as would be necessary; to deal efficiently with contract collectors, or to purchase and operate the equipment as a municipal function.

When it no longer becomes economical or possible to sell the garbage for swine feeding, the Board of Public Works would be better qualified to build and operate such incinerators or processing plants as may be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES R. BAISLEY, M.D., Chairman

EDWARD M. HALLIGAN, M.D.

C. F. ATKINSON, Secretary

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

January 4, 1954

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

Town of Reading, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report of Inspector of Animals for the year January 1, 1953 to January 1, 1954.

Sixty-nine dogs were quarantined for biting or scratching people. Two dogs have not been released as yet.

The annual inspection of all livestock in the town was completed by request of the Division of Livestock Disease Control. There are at present, 82 neat cattle, 31 swine, 89 sheep, 11 goats and 24 horses. No Contagious infectious diseases were noted during the inspection.

GARDINER A. LESTER, DVM

**86TH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES
AND THE LIBRARIAN OF THE READING PUBLIC LIBRARY**

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Sydney M. Hodson, Ch.	C. Nelson Bishop	Katherine C. Pierce
Neil C. Robinson, Secy.	H. Irene Latham	William J. Tonks

Expenditures	1951	1952	1953
Salaries	\$ 11,371.00	\$ 11,970.00	\$ 11,835.00
Maintenance	5,754.00	5,927.00	5,923.00
Per Cent	1.4	1.4	1.3

The Library Trustees' duties are concerned with supervision of the Reading Public Library to the end that it serves the cultural needs of the citizens within the scope of an economical budget, to see that the property is properly maintained and to determine policies in the best interests of the public and the taxpayer. Special requests, therefore, should be made to the trustees through the librarian, Miss Turner.

The Children's Library (downstairs) has shown a notable increase in circulation, thereby creating the need for more books as well as shelf space. Filling the position of children's librarian is still a problem since the resignation of Miss Crovo, who was replaced by Mrs. Taylor on the same curtailed schedule.

Changes in people's habits brought about the change in Saturday hours which are now from 10 A. M. to 6 p. m.

Use of the reading room by teen-agers for purposes of visiting and/or doing home work with little or no need of the library facilities created disturbances as well as a lack of room for adults, in the evening. Through the co-operation of the junior and senior high school principals and visits by a patrolman this condition was rectified.

Mr. Winslow Burhoe of Reading presented the library with several volumes which were given to him by the librarian in Reading, England, during a summer trip. These books give the history of the town after which this Reading was named. In appreciation, your trustees sent two volumes of our history to the English library.

Major policy decided during the year was one in regard to use of the library by organizations, clubs or groups as a meeting place. It is, in brief: request to be made to trustees by an adult group whose program will be cultural or civic in nature; limited to small groups who can meet when the library is closed; refreshments, smoking and admission charge are exempted.

The present staff is conscientious, efficient and serves the public well. The building is in excellent condition and no extra expenditures are foreseen, except that costs of books and rebinding still rise. Appended are more specific facts concerning library service as prepared by the head librarian, Miss Anna R. Turner.

SUMMARY OF THE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

The major problem facing administration of the library lies in the children's room where the demand for books from more borrowers necessitates the services of a full time librarian who can attend to additional cataloguing, filing, charging, exhibitions and questions. School assignments, affecting use of the library, not only have increased, but they begin in grades lower than heretofore. We want to supply the needs of these young people because they will be the voluntary readers of the future.

Patrons of the library have expressed appreciation for the continuous hours on Saturdays. In the future, it is hoped that the library can be open every morning.

Inventory of books in special categories continues, along with careful withdrawing of old books. Also, we have been mending worn books rather than having them rebound. It has taken 234 hours to repair 1200 books.

Memorial books, contributed by relatives, friends and organizations, were presented to the library in the names of the late: Arthur W. Bancroft, Caroline Christensen, Thomas H. W. Clark, C. Willis Currier, Robert Gibson, Edith B. Jewett, M. Edna Johnson, Jack Levaggi, Wayne T. Lydstone, Mary Mason, Anna M. Reck, Lester S. Riley, Linda J. Rixon, Ruth T. Sheldon, Elizabeth S. Stembridge, Mabel F. Springford, Percy N. Sweetser, Grace Twombly.

Submitted, with appreciation for the cooperation of the trustees and library staff.

ANNA R. TURNER, Head Librarian

Statistical Report

Books Purchased	1952	1953
Adult	1,012	948
Juvenile	428	427
Gifts	80	148
Withdrawn	160	59
Net total	32,539	34,003
Circulation	1952	1953
Adult	60,407	60,849
Juvenile	27,472	29,819
Misc.	3,918	3,776
Total	91,797	94,444
New borrowers	808	867
Fees received	\$1,129	\$1,238.00

Interest from trust funds was used to purchase two sets of encyclopedias.

NOTE: see the Accountant's Report for a breakdown of library expenses and a statement on trust funds.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

HARRY R. WALKER, Chm.
 COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Sec.
 WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.
 KENNETH R. JOHNSON
 HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.

Expenditures

Item	1953	1952	1951
Administration	\$ 10,489.80	\$ 9,293.08	\$ 8,974.48
Engr. Division	16,910.96	3,247.22	2,965.04
Consulting Engrs.	4,072.28	5,039.60	1,888.12
Highway Maint.	83,044.28	79,963.75	79,792.95
Chapt. 90 Const.	27,447.78	23,590.88	171.10
Chap. 90 Maint.	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,999.94
Snow & Ice	30,854.28	35,192.07	31,485.37
Maint. Str. Drs.	10,199.69	8,994.71	8,299.36
Drain Const.	24,464.41	25,089.62	20,340.34
Sidewalks	18,788.30	17,805.25	19,999.40
Sewers	23,608.02	24,185.00	25,483.92
Sewer House Conns.	8,643.77	7,530.52	8,919.08
Town Dump	4,800.00	4,397.84	4,447.00
Parks	16,340.07	16,112.59	15,519.81
Water	132,424.14	140,965.18	133,684.47
Street Betts.	6,100.69	61,309.06	29,260.36
Pensions	8,101.08	6,536.56	3,525.03
Rd. Mach. Oper. Acct.	40,162.11	33,543.49	41,318.67
Special Drainage			10,261.50
Resurf. Min. St. Bridge	1,835.64		
Spec. Water — Wells		19,839.38	2,500.00
Spec. Water — Standpipe	116,696.89	10,884.09	
Parking Areas	480.00		
High School Sewer	60,442.19		
High School Roads	22,495.59		
Bit. Conc. Resurf.	2,265.14		
	<u>\$673,667.11</u>	<u>\$536,519.89</u>	<u>\$451,835.94</u>
Less Available Funds	289,283.14	205,232.14	177,503.14
	<u>\$384,383.97</u>	<u>\$331,287.75</u>	<u>\$274,332.80</u>

Percentage Bd. Pub. Wks. to Total Town Tax Levy — 1953 — 19.5

Functions

The Board of Public Works has jurisdiction over the following departmental subdivisions:

Administration, Engineering Division, Water (including supply, distribution, construction and maintenance), Highway construction and maintenance, Removal of Snow and Ice, Sidewalk construction and maintenance, Storm Drain construction and maintenance, Town Dump, Sewer construction and maintenance, Sewer house connections, Parks care and maintenance, Playgrounds care and maintenance, Chap. 90 construction and maintenance, Equipment purchase and maintenance, many Betterments construction and billing, Pensions, Bridges care and maintenance, Garage care and maintenance, and other special and pertinent subdivisions. Each of the above subdivisions entails many detailed operations which, it is felt, are too numerous to list here.

The Board of Public Works is also, ex officio, the Board of Survey. As such they have jurisdiction over all proposed subdivisions. This includes consideration of the proposed layout for lines and grades and their effect on abutting lands and the Town as a whole. Also the responsibility to see that all prescriptions placed on the development by the Board of Survey and the Board of Health are carried out.

Following is a factual list of Departmental accomplishments by divisions.

Water Division

2,626 feet of water main was laid with 4 hydrants set.

A contract was awarded for the installation of water mains to service the new high school. The work will be completed in 1954.

107 new services were installed totalling 6,165 feet.

78 old services were replaced.

129 new meters were installed, 29 were junked and replaced.

500 were removed, tested, repaired and reset.

Construction of the new standpipe was completed and it was placed in service in the early summer.

A total of 405,580,000 gallons of water was pumped. This is an increase of 53,185,600 (15.10%) over 1952. The annual daily average was 1,111,178 gallons. The highest single day was 1,979,200 gallons. The highest week was 12,163,900 gallons. Per capita consumption was 71 gallons per day. It should be noted that it was possible to sustain this substantial increase only because the Town built two gravel packed wells in 1952. Without these it would have been necessary to impose restrictions in 1953.

Highway Division

A contract was awarded for the access roads to the new high school and construction started. The project will be completed about July 1954.

The winter season of 1952-1953 was relatively mild with no serious conditions developing.

A program of street resurfacing was developed early in the year and executed during the summer months. Other annual maintenance work such as sweeping roads and parking areas, clearing ditches, cutting brush, painting signs, straightening curbs, repairing guard rails, etc., was accomplished.

The old surface of the Mineral Street bridge was removed and a new asphalt plank surface laid.

Parts of Haven Street and Washington Street were resurfaced with bituminous concrete.

On State Aided Roads (Chap. 90 Maint.) much resurfacing and maintenance work was done.

A short piece of Charles Street was constructed by contract under Chap. 90 Constr.

Two streets were constructed under the Betterment Act with the abutters being assessed for the costs.

A total of 1,093 Sq. Yds. of Granolithic Sidewalk was constructed. In addition a substantial footage of Bituminous concrete sidewalk was resurfaced.

A total of 728 feet of Granite Curbing was installed.

A total of 2,733 lin. feet of storm water drain was laid plus 24 catch basins and 20 manholes.

Regular care was given the Town Dump. Since the dump is an open, unenclosed dump, additional caretakers are required in dry weather. The present area is practically full and a new location will be opened in 1954.

Park and Playground Division

All park and playground areas received the normal annual attention, such as cutting brush, edging walks, painting equipment, cutting grass, sweeping, raking, setting out and removing equipment.

Due to limited funds no particular construction was accomplished except at Memorial Park. At this location a large area was graded, leveled, loamed and seeded using stock piled top soils. Another area was stripped by bulldozer in preparation for filling, loaming and seeding.

It is hoped that considerable work will be accomplished in 1954.

Sewer Division

Trunk sewers were laid in 5 streets. In all a total of 2,539 lin. feet was laid including 18 manholes.

Annual maintenance such as cleaning, flushing, rodding and repairing was accomplished.

44 new house connections were installed and several older ones dug up and replaced.

A contract was awarded for the construction of the interceptor sewer to the new high school and the work is under way. Contracts for the sewerage pumping station and for the equipment were also awarded. All work is scheduled for completion in July 1954.

Engineering Division

This division has been enlarged by the addition of four employees. This will enable the Department to function more efficiently. It will

result in better coordination, better integration and in lowered costs for the employment of consultants.

Board of Survey Division

A large number of plans were considered. Legally required hearings were held as necessary. Most plans were for individual lots with only a few proposing developments.

The General Court in 1953 passed what is commonly called a subdivision Control Law. This law gives considerable authority to the Board of Health and the Board of Survey but it substantially increases the work of each.

Problems

The problems facing the Board of Public Works are manifold. Like other Departments they are based mainly on the rapid residential growth of the Town. As has been said they are "growing pains".

Basically they can be reduced to two statements.

1. It is not possible, under the present salary schedule, for the Department to obtain and keep properly experienced employees.

2. It is not possible under present appropriations, for the Department to furnish the requested public utilities.

In case No. 1 — it should be stated that, during the past two years, a large number of our experienced employees have resigned. The Department has not been able to secure or retain properly qualified employees to replace them. This is especially true in relation to equipment operators.

The result will be that work done in past years by Department employees will have to be let out to contract. In many cases this will result in higher costs.

In case No. 2 — it is suggested that annual appropriations be based on a realistic evaluation of needs rather than on an average of past appropriations. This department has on hand requests for sewers, storm drains, sidewalks, etc., the total estimated cost of which, is far in excess of annual appropriations. It is recommended that an integrated program be developed based on substantially larger appropriations so that the work could be accomplished over a reasonable period of years.

General

The space allotted to the Department in the Town Building is woefully inadequate. It is recommended that immediate steps be taken to provide more space.

The equipment of the Department is in reasonably good condition, and is sufficient in quantity for present departmental needs. The planned program started several years ago has worked out well. It is, in a small way, an excellent example of effective programming.

The housing furnished for the equipment is inadequate in many ways. An addition should be built at the Department Garage. Plans are being initiated to build a small addition in 1954.

The conditions under which the employees work are, with the exception of salaries and space reasonably good.

It has been our experience that other Departments, when requested, have been quite cooperative, and this Department has, within its ability, tried to cooperate with them.

**NINETY-NINTH REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT
REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN
AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The 1953 report of the Fire Department, Forest Warden and Superintendent of Fire Alarm is hereby submitted.

Manual Force. The permanent force consists of twenty men including the Chief, Deputy Chief, Captain and two Lieutenants. There are 18 call firemen and a Dispatcher on call. The Auxiliary Fire Service numbers 30 men. In the last year 4 permanent men were added to the department. The hours of duty were reduced from 70 to 56 per week. Two men have graduated from the State University Extension School for Fire Department Drillmasters and two have successfully completed the Oil Burner course conducted by the Oil Heat Institute, at no cost to the town. I plan to send other men to this school in 1954. Weekly drills were held during the summer with both regular and Auxiliary men.

Apparatus. Ladder 1, a Seagrave 65 ft. Junior Aerial Ladder Truck; Engine 1, a 1000 gal. per min. Seagrave Pumping Engine; Engine 2, a 400 gal. per min. Seagrave Pumping Engine in reserve; Engine 3, a 600 gal. per min. Seagrave Pumping Engine at the Woburn St. Station; Engine 4, a 500 gal. per min. front end pumping engine and having a 100 gal. per min. portable pump, used for brush fires and placed in service this year. Engine 5, a Chevrolet with a 400 gal. per min. front end pump, manned by the Auxiliary Fire Service and located at the Woburn St. Station; Engine 6, a 750 gal. per min. Seagrave Pumping Engine; Engines 7 and 8 are auxiliary trailer pumps; Engine 9, a one ton Chevrolet utility truck ith 200 gal. per min. front end pump; and a Chevrolet Sedan Chief's Car. A new glass windshield was placed on Engine 1 and the radiator was recored. The Chief's car was repainted. The booster tank and hydraulic oil tank on Ladder 1 were replaced. Portable 2-way radios were purchased, 1 carried on Engine 4 and the other on Engine 6.

Service Record. The department responded to 105 bell alarms, 7 of which were false; 209 telephone calls, 2 of which were false; 38 verbal alarms; 22 alarms by radio; 243 service calls; a total of 617 or 102 more than 1952. Included in the total calls are 153 for grass, brush, peat and dump fires, 16 of which were in the town dump on John Street and 21 out of town calls. The fire loss for 1953 on property endangered, valued at \$297,334.45 was \$24,278.68, an increase of \$8,521.36 over 1952. Of the loss, \$15,890.23 was covered by insurance, making the uninsured loss \$8,388.45. Slight injuries were received by 16 firemen. The following equipment was used: 1 Dry Powder Extinguisher; 1 Soda-Acid Extinguisher; 18 CO₂ Extinguishers; 232 booster tanks of water; 40,050 ft.

of $\frac{3}{4}$ inch booster hose; 16,200 ft. of $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch hose; 18,450 ft. of $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch hose; 1,303 ft. of ladders including the aerial 12 times; Engines pumped $131\frac{1}{4}$ hrs.; 6 covers spread; 7 times used smoke ejectors; oxygen used 15 times; 6 calls for the resuscitator; Gasoline cellar pump used $107\frac{1}{4}$ hours; Electric Cellar pump used $104\frac{1}{2}$ hours; there was no loss of life from fire. Several fires were investigated by local police or officers from the State Fire Marshal's Office. Discarded refrigerators had doors removed by this department as requested. After the tornado in the Worcester District, Engine 9 with the Lighting Generator, Flood Lights, and a crew of four men was in Worcester 2 nights and in Shrewsbury 8 nights floodlighting parts of the devastated area to prevent looting and in removing obstacles as requested.

Fire Prevention. Lectures have been given in the past year in the Public and Parochial Schools in connection with a program set up by the Bay State Club dealing with Fire Prevention. Inspections of business properties, places of public assembly and the nursing homes have been made as required. 279 inspections made of Power Burner installations and storage for same; 24 inspections of Range Burners and storage for same; 37 inspections of Liquified Petroleum Gas storages; 4 inspections of oil burning water heaters and storage; 28 permits issued for blasting; 2 permits for storage of Class A fluids; numerous inspections made of gasoline tank locations, fire hazards, etc., as requested or on complaint. Several buildings were destroyed by fire under the supervision of this department, at the request of owners in connection with land clearing, or to remove hazards. Many permits were issued for fires in the open air.

Fire Stations. Both the upper and lower hall and the living quarters in the Central Station were repainted. New shades were provided for the bedrooms. Some window sash on the second floor were replaced and additional storm windows purchased. Four steel lockers were bought for the Central Station for the new men.

Fire Alarm. Maintenance of the outside system was carried on as necessary. The main steam valve on the fire whistle had to be replaced. Box 342 was installed at the new high school and boxes 47, 37, and 623 were replaced with new boxes. Boxes 16, 53, and 481 were knocked from the poles by automobiles and trucks and had to be replaced. A cable was run to the new traffic control booth and a phone installed for the use of the police in that building. A spot light was installed at Main and Washington Streets for the traffic officer at that point. The fire alarm pedestal at the Fire Station was relocated after having been knocked over by an unknown party. Line wire was added to the system on Hillside Road to the new high school and to the gas plant on John Street. One pole was broken by an automobile but service on the circuit was quickly restored. Several times during storms different circuits were put out of commission by wires being broken, etc., and repaired as quickly as trouble located.

General. Several times during the year apparatus was held up at railroad crossings while answering fires west of the tracks, causing delays in responding. The Rules and Regulations of the department

were revised and put into effect on July 1. A floor watch in the Central Station was established. Explosives have been disposed of by the department from time to time.

Recommendations. That the permanent force be increased. That 2-way radios be purchased for Engines 1, 3, 9, and Ladder 1. That the Woburn Street station be replaced and permanent men stationed there. That an addition be built on the Central Station to provide for department expansion.

Conclusion. I wish to thank your honorable board for co-operation received during the year, the members of the department and Auxiliary Fire Service for efficient performance of duty and faithful service, The Red Cross Motor Service and the Canteen and others responding to fires and calls for assistance, also other town departments and citizens who have helped our department in any way.

Respectfully submitted,
HUGH L. EAMES
Chief of the Fire Department, Forest
Warden and Superintendent Fire Alarm

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1953.

The building construction for the past year was as follows:

100 New one family dwellings at an estimated cost of	\$ 944,500.00
53 Alterations and additions to dwellings at a cost of	44,950.00
7 Alterations and additions to business properties at an estimated cost of	44,600.00
26 New private garages at an estimated cost of	18,940.00
7 Signs	2,535.00
5 Business buildings	20,200.00
1 Church alteration	15,000.00
2 Raze buildings	000.00
1 Watertower	100,000.00
1 Fire escape	400.00
1 Accessory Farm building	3,000.00
1 Move building	000.00

Total estimated cost of all new and remodeled buildings
for the past year \$1,194,125.00
Total number of Permits 205

Fees were received in the amount of \$676.00. These have been turned over to the Town Treasurer and receipts received for same.

Respectfully submitted,
HAROLD B. CURRELL
Inspector of Buildings

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Municipal Building
Reading, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The report of the Police Department is hereby submitted:

From March 15, 1952 to February 22, 1953 Sergeant Thomas J. Fitzpatrick was Acting Chief and discharged his duties in a very commendable manner. On February 22, 1953, Roland E. Ellis was appointed Chief of Police. William H. Faulkner and Edward M. Hubbard were appointed Sergeants.

On May 2, 1953, Officer John F. Beaudoin resigned from the Department to enter private employment. He had been a member of this Department since September 1, 1945. Phillip N. Cail was appointed to fill this vacancy, May 10, 1953.

Herbert G. Perry was appointed to this Department on June 28, 1953.

In June, 1953 a special examination was held by the Civil Service Department for the Reading Police Department. There were only six applicants who passed the written examination and five of these were appointed as temporary officers, July 1, 1953. There were: Evan P. Edwards, Joseph W. Cormier, Leonard P. Hoyt, Robert N. Howe, Jr., and Frederick Granelli, Jr., these officers to continue as temporary officers until such time as a Civil Service list is established.

On July 1, 1953, the Police Department went on the 5 day week schedule which was voted on at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1953.

In October, Officer William H. Dewsnap was made a Special Investigations Officer. With the excellent co-operation of the uniformed department, Officer Dewsnap has cleaned up several larcenies which otherwise might have gone unsolved.

Arrests Made By This Department During 1953:

Drunkenness	120
Automobile violations	96
Operating under influence of liquor	12
Breaking and entering	3
Armed Robbery	2
Larceny	3
Receiving stolen property	2
Disturbing the Peace	1
Non-Support	4
Rape	1
Escapes from State Inst.	5
On Warrants and Capias	8
Juvenile Delinquents	8

Other Services Rendered By Department

Summonses delivered	170
Doors and windows secured	88
Injured animals shot	5
Lost children returned	8
Bicycles recovered	20
Automobile accidents investigated	158
General complaints investigated	448

Ambulance Trips

The Ambulance made 232 trips to various Hospital and Rest Homes.

Fees turned over to Town Treasurer for these services amounted to \$1,206.00.

Fees from Bicycle Registrations turned over to Town Treasurer amounted to \$91.25.

Fees assessed by the Woburn District Court amounted to \$1,315.00.

Automotive Equipment

- 1 Ambulance (1946 Cadillac, mileage 28,600).
- 1 Chief's car (1950 Chevrolet), mileage 28,000.
- 2 Cruisers (1953 Fords) mileage nearly 30,000 each.

In closing I wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen for their co-operation given to the men of this Department. Also sincere appreciation to each and every member of the Department for their good work. Thanks also to Chief Eames and Firefighters of his Department for their able assistance.

To the members of the Reading Police Reserves, thanks for their most excellent aid given throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
ROLAND E. ELLIS
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

December 31, 1953

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Reading, Mass.
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Dog Officer for the year 1953.
I have canvassed the Town to see that all dogs have been licensed.
All complaints have been investigated.
For the year ending December 31, 1953, there were 82 unlicensed

dogs caught.
50 dogs were disposed of for the County.
27 dogs were reclaimed by owners.
5 dogs were sold for the County.

Dead animals picked up off the street for the Board of Health and disposed of were 39 cats and 71 dogs.

At this time I wish to thank the Police Department and all others who gave me assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM H. DEWSNAP
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

Summer recreation enjoyed another banner season in Reading. From the opening day games, sports, and special events made an interesting summer for children all over town.

The enthusiasm was evidenced in the record attendance which was maintained from the beginning through the final event, a Fair at Birch Meadow which drew nearly a thousand children and their parents.

Special events such as beach trips, movies, theatricals, play days with other towns, field days, cookouts, Wild West Show, and swimming contests supplemented the daily activities that included three baseball leagues, kickball, basketball, tennis, volley ball, softball, arts and crafts, and many other less strenuous games such as checkers, pitching horseshoes and croquet. The operation of a weekly paper plus excellent front page coverage by the Reading Chronicle kept all well informed of the program.

Three playgrounds, Birch Meadow, Memorial Park and Washington Street, were opened daily from 9 to 5, as well as in the evenings. The Eaton School Playground was opened only mornings because there is no afternoon shade or shelter. A few well placed trees would greatly enhance both the utility and beauty of this area.

At the season's start we lost one of our experienced leaders to a more remunerative construction job. This raises a problem of adequate salaries. Working on the playgrounds can no longer compete with many other phases of summer employment and experienced leaders are necessary for the success of the program.

Another question under consideration by your committee has been the possibility of extending the program to take in other areas. Although a large number of children participate in the activities, it is felt that an even larger number do not visit the Playgrounds because it is too far to go. This is especially true of the younger children. Areas such as the Junior High School, Highland School, Lowell Street School and possibly some available vacant lots might be used for regularly scheduled sessions.

Lack of swimming facilities continues to present a need in any summer recreation program.

The committee wishes to thank the School Committee, Board of Public Works, and all others who helped to insure the program's success.

Respectfully submitted,

NEWELL H. MORTON, Chairman
C. SUMNER TEEL
HARRY R. WALKER
CARL W. PINKHAM
ROBERT E. TURNER
JOSEPH H. GIUNTA
JAMES E. CALVIN

**REPORT OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE
19 EVERETT STREET, CONCORD
FOR READING**

The Middlesex County Extension Service is a publicly supported educational institution to serve all the towns of the county in agriculture and home economics. In agriculture the work is developed county-wide under the direction of county councils made up of the leading farmers in each of the main commodities as vegetables, fruit, poultry, dairying, livestock, and commercial flowers. A County Bulletin is mailed monthly to all cooperating farmers and timely information sent to anyone on request.

4-H Club Work is developed under a town committee and leaders, and the home economics work is available through a town director, organized groups, or direct requests. Your town director furnishes counsel to the Extension Office on the needs of the towns, services desired, or leadership needed.

Information and assistance were made available on the planning and operation of a poultry farm or enterprise covering the subjects of poultry housing and equipment, ventilation and litter management, brooding and rearing, marketing, and management for egg production.

Specialized information on turkey and poultry health was made available through the 1953 Middlesex Flock Health Program.

William Johnson was a member of the 1953 Extension Poultry Advisory Committee and served as president of the Eastern Middlesex County Poultry Association. Mr. Johnson also was a member of the 1953 Middlesex Flock Health Program.

Of interest to vegetable growers was the vegetable pest control program that was carried on throughout the county, helping not only with individual farm visits but with sending out general information by mail or over the radio on the timely control of insects and fungus troubles.

Marketing has been a vital part of the vegetable program. Efforts were concentrated on the Boston Market and on proper packaging and grading. Consumer packaging has received a great deal of attention.

Reading was represented at the Advisory Council meetings by Mrs. Ralph Buck and Mrs. Walter Rowell. A Slip Cover program was taught and was followed by a tour. Textile Painting and "Christmas Everywhere" programs were given and Reading was represented at a training school on "Keeping Up with the Teen-Agers."

Miss Lois Connor has served as an active chairman in 4-H Club Work. There are six Home Economics clubs, two Agricultural clubs, and one Horse club. The two rallies were attended by more than 100 members each time. The spring and fall achievement programs were well attended and the exhibits were excellent. Food sales were sponsored by the Town Committee as well as a card sale. The Town Committee played an important part in the building of a cabin at Camp Middlesex. Mr. Allison Campbell is on the County Camping Committee. Five members of the Camp staff were from Reading.

The County-wide Achievement Day was well represented by Reading in clothing and crafts. Two families were presented Family Certificates at the Eastern Section Leaders' Organization meeting with Reading as host. They were the Allison Campbells and the Ernest Durbs. Club members took part in the Boston Poultry Show, Horticultural Hall Vegetable Show, County 4-H Fair, and the Eastern States Exposition. Charles Vars won County, State, and National Honors in the Poultry Demonstration. Club members were represented on two IV Shows. Seven girls and five boys attended Camp Middlesex. A County 4-H Auction was sponsored, and Reading played a most important part. The Lions Club gave \$25 in awards. Wendell Nelson has done a great job with his sheep.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.,

Town Director

AGENT FOR VETERANS' BENEFITS

January 19, 1954

Board of Selectmen.

Reading, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We respectfully report the Department of Veterans' Benefits for the year 1953.

We have assisted forty-six cases during the year, varying from an individual to a family of six.

Medical expense to dependents of veterans continues to rise and under recent acts of the legislature, it will increase in 1954.

Employment has been good in 1953 until December, then we struck an increase in aid on that account.

World War I veterans are beginning to feel the years, and we have had an increase in this class in our aid, but our total cost has been kept at a minimum.

The work under the term Veterans' Services has been increased, there is a demand for this service. We have made many hundreds of photo copies for the later class of veterans (World War II and Korean). We have assisted them in their applications for all kinds of benefits. State and Federal.

Veterans' Service is very low in cost to the town, but a service of much value to all veterans and their dependents.

Yours very truly,

CHARLES W. H. SMITH

Agent

REPORT OF WELFARE AGENT

To the Board of Public Welfare:

A condensed report of the Welfare Agent and Director of Old Age Assistance is submitted herewith.

Our total handling of assistance cases during 1953 was as follows:

General Aid	46 cases
Disability Assistance	17 cases
Aid to Dependent Children	20 cases
Old Age Assistance	259 cases

With the exception of Disability Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children, these figures show a decrease from the previous year, more especially in Old Age Assistance which reflects a reduction in expenditure as compared with 1952 of approximately \$7,000.00 Only once before has this category shown any decrease from the previous year, that being in 1944 with a decrease of \$2,000 from 1943.

Two new manuals have just been issued by the State Department of Public Welfare which will impose much heavier administrative duties on all local welfare offices and will require at least one additional worker in our case.

Following our custom of the past several years we show below a schedule of costs as effecting local tax levy.

Expenditures for Assistance

General Aid	\$ 21,252.32
Disability Assistance	14,114.82
Aid to Dependent Children	25,054.26
Old Age Assistance	218,419.48
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	\$278,840.88
Total Reimbursement	237,225.73
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Net Cost	\$ 41,615.15

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD E. HARNDEN

Welfare Agent and Director of Old Age Assistance

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1953.

Additions to existing wiring	199	Ranges (Electric)	95
Aid Conditioning	5	Refrigeration	5
Alterations to existing wiring	22	Repairs to old wiring	55
Barns	1	Repairs after fire damage	5
Churches (additional wiring)	10	Repairs after lightning damage	6
Compressors	3	Restaurants	1
Dishwashers	8	Services replaced	45
Dwellings (New)	93	Schools (Additional wiring)	15
Dwellings (Old)	3	Shops	12
Garages	13	Signs	6
Garbage Disposal Units	6	Stoker	1
Gasoline Pumps	3	Stores rewired	1
Gasoline Stations	1	Telephone Booths	6
Gas Heater Controls	17	Trailers	1
Greenhouses	3	Ventilator Fans	20
Clothes Dryers (Electric)	28	Washers (Automatic)	22
Kilns (Pottery)	2	Water Heaters (Electric)	38
Motors	12	Welders	1
Oil Burners	231	Wiring condemned account fire	3
Panels (Radiant)	2	Wiring addition to dwelling	15

Violations consisted of three improper wiring on oil burners and several failures to take out permits and eight improper wiring in buildings and one failure to take out permit. One case now pending for wiring without a permit and by unlicensed person. It is hoped this coming year will enable me to check all public buildings in this Town in order to determine if there is a possibility of overload occurring. Considerable time has been spent at the new High School.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. FOGG

Inspector of Wires.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Reading, Massachusetts

for the year ending

December 31, 1953

RETIRED

Marian Dillingham Day
Appointed September 1925
Teacher of General Science in Junior High

Agnes G. Hurley
Appointed September 1927
Matron at the Junior High School

Mary A. Kingman
Appointed September 1927
Cafeteria Manager at the Senior High School

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

Philip R. White, Chairman, 189 Summer Avenue	Term expires	1956
Newell H. Morton, 198 Woburn Street	" "	1956
Gladys F. Milton, 281 Summer Avenue	" "	1955
Alexander P. Glover, 56 Lowell Street	" "	1955
John L. Griffin, 22 Bond Street	" "	1954
Robert E. Turner, 78 Middlesex Avenue	" "	1954

School Committee Office

Joshua Eaton School 365 Summer Avenue
RE 2-0180 and RE 2-2384
Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
During school vacations 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Superintendent of Schools

Arthur B. Lord, Jr. 39 Pine Ridge Road

Secretary to the Superintendent

Mae A. Tanner 26 Mineral Street

Clerks in School Committee Office

Margaret A. McMullen 56 Intervale Terrace
Irene E. Reichardt 90 Vine Street

School Physician

Er Chang Ping, M.D. 127 Hopkins Street

Supervisor of Maintenance

Robert A. Vars 26 Beacon Street

Attendance Officer

Robert A. Grundy 25 Lewis Street or 74 Haven Street

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Reading:

The School Committee herewith submits its annual report.

Since the Board of Selectmen has requested an outline of the School Committee's duties we shall begin our report with as complete an explanation as space will permit.

The general duties are as follows:

1. To legislate and establish general policies relating to the scope of educational offerings to be maintained throughout the school system; such as courses of study to be offered, instructional procedures used, creation of positions necessary to carry on services it expects the school to render, determination of school year, etc.

2. To adopt plans and determine the extent of expenditures for the maintenance of school personnel (administrative, teaching, clerical, janitorial) of school buildings and properties, and to adopt a financial budget for this work.

3. To decide upon buildings to be provided.

4. To employ a professional school executive and to evaluate and appraise his services.

5. To secure state legislation for local needs and to submit to the voters for their decision such matters as, by law, require their approval.

6. To report to the public concerning the conditions of the schools, their progress and their needs.

The rest of this report will come under the sixth duty of the School Committee.

Since the Reading school system has in the past four years been coordinated in the fields of Arithmetic, Social Studies, Science and Reading so that all the elementary grades are now using the same graduated text books, the School Committee felt this year the school libraries should be enlarged. These additional books supplement the use of the regular textbooks and offer an enriched program of study for the children who are able to work at a higher rate of speed.

The music program this year expanded greatly. This is true especially in the elementary schools where fine bands and orchestras are attracting more pupils.

With the opening of the new senior high school in September, there will be a broadening of the curriculum. The School Committee has recognized this fact and already has made plans to include Driver Training and wider opportunities for shop training. Also this year the Committee realizes that the school system can no longer be without a specially trained guidance director. The larger school population and the many changes in the social, economic and vocational world make this a necessity if Reading is to have a competent school system.

The large enrollment in the Reading schools today and the greater number of pupils still entering cause the School Committee a great deal of concern. In order to meet this increase, it is going to be necessary to make drastic changes. For the year 1954-1955 the new senior high school will have to house the ninth grade pupils. This will be done to make room in the Junior High School for some elementary pupils of grade 6.

It is necessary, therefore, that additional elementary classrooms should be provided very soon to relieve the elementary pupil problem, for the senior and junior high schools cannot accommodate these pupils indefinitely.

It is also time to begin thinking of building an addition to the Junior High School. The School Committee wishes the townspeople to realize how critical the housing problem is and to be planning for its future.

With all this building in sight, the School Committee recommends that a School Planning and Building Committee be established. The School Committee feels that with all its other duties it would be advisable to relieve it of these problems and that such a committee should be created.

The School Committee has had a survey made of the athletic field for the new senior high school, as it was authorized to do at the last Town Meeting.

It will be necessary for the Town to appropriate money for this athletic field, a parking area, and for completing purchase of the equipment for the building.

The Town appropriated \$2,400,000 for the new Senior High School. The general contract was let to A. Cefalo & Sons, Inc., for \$1,997,000. Since then, change orders amounting to \$142,276 have been made. Of this amount \$123,289 was for ledge removal. The balance was primarily for procuring critical materials which were not available at the time the contract was let. There is also an extra order for testing, of \$2,000. The total is \$2,141,276. We do not know of any other additional changes in order to complete the building. The contract for grading has not been let. The above figures do not include the architects' fee, which will be 6¾ % of the cost of the building, equipment and grading.

This year the School Committee feels that Reading enjoys a better place in the competitive field of teachers' salaries than it did last year, so, therefore, is contemplating no change in the salary schedule.

The School Committee was asked to submit that part of the tax dollar which is spent on the educational system.

Year	Net School Expenditures	Net Town Expenditures	Per Cent
1951	\$450,927.81	\$1,190,628.81	37.8
1952	494,544.45	1,262,775.82	39.1
1953	544,512.67	1,438,398.50	37.8

A more detailed report of the school system of Reading is given in the report of the Superintendent of Schools. The School Committee wishes to call your attention to this report for fuller information.

The entire School Committee wishes to extend its heartiest thanks to the townspeople who have shown constructive interest in the school system.

The terms of Mr. Robert E. Turner and Mr. John L. Griffin expire this year.

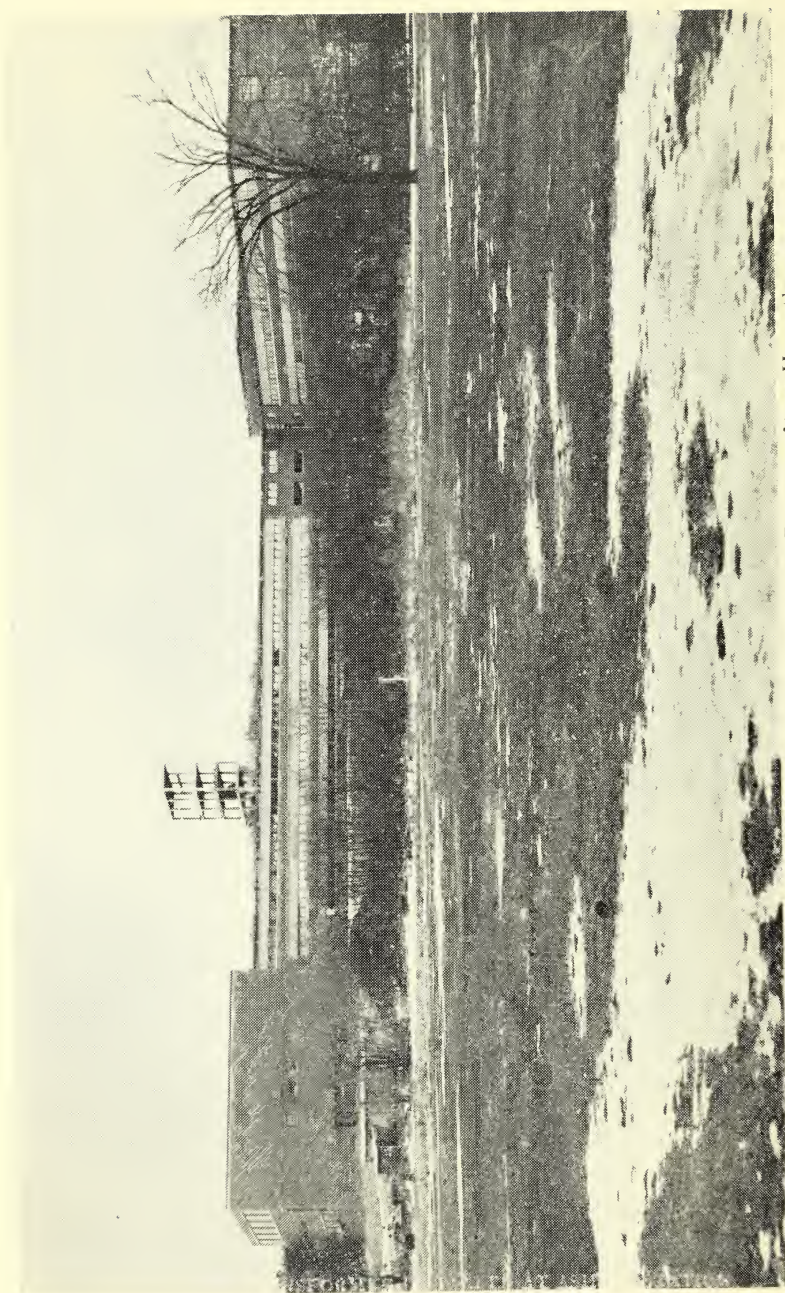
Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP R. WHITE Chairman
GLADYS F. MILTON
ALEXANDER P. GLOVER

ROBERT E. TURNER
JOHN L. GRIFFIN
NEWELL H. MORTON



PART OF FRONT OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL FROM PROPOSED ROAD



LOOKING ACROSS BIRCH MEADOW TOWARD THE BACK OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUDGET — 1953

Appropriations, Transfers & Refunds 1953	Expended 1953
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SALARIES:

\$ 28,792.90	Supt., Clerks and Enf. of Law	\$ 28,282.81
13,712.59	Supervisors	13,980.51
25,370.66	Principals	24,604.22
402,971.57	Teachers	402,478.98
53,761.38	Janitors and Matrons	51,808.47
7,683.49	Health	7,964.92
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\$531,392.59		\$529,119.91

MAINTENANCE:

\$ 1,000.00	Supt. Office Expense	\$ 1,022.83
300.00	Research and Professional Study	287.20
800.00	Printing	361.42
500.00	Travel Expenses	466.41
600.00	Prin. Office Expenses	705.38
2,500.00	Telephone	2,572.99
150.00	Travel Expense — Enf. of Law	156.00
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\$ 5,850.00	Total General Control	\$ 5,563.23

INSTRUCTION:

\$ 600.00	Travel Expense of Supervisors	\$ 689.41
8,110.00	Textbooks and Supplementary Books	7,149.68
11,750.00	Supplies — School	
31.27	Refunds	
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11,781.27		11,267.48
1,500.00	Supplies — Shop	1,522.13
450.00	Supplies — Domestic Science	450.43
975.00	Film	601.20
1,000.00	Physical Ed Equipment	841.80
1,290.00	Tests	1,006.81
5,726.98	Instructional Apparatus	5,205.04
600.00	Express Charges	294.66
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\$ 32,033.25	Total Instruction	\$ 29,028.64

OPERATION OF PLANT:

\$ 16,000.00	Fuel	\$ 13,014.24
1,900.00	Water and Sewer	1,654.74
6,500.00	Electricity	5,627.44
100.00	Gas	76.05
400.00	Laundry and Summer Cleaning	442.50
300.00	Ash Removal	336.29
350.00	Exp. of Supr. of Bldgs. and Grounds	594.63
6,000.00	Janitors Supplies	7,617.95
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\$31,550.00	Total Operation of Plant	\$ 29,363.84

MAINTENANCE OF PLANT:

\$ 2,207.00	Grounds	\$ 2,123.27
16,560.00	Buildings	18,463.76
745.00	Service System	460.74
8,775.00	Plumbing and Heating	9,836.39
270.00	Furniture Repair	152.09
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\$ 28,557.60	Total Maintenance of Plant	\$ 31,036.25

AUXILIARY AGENCIES:

\$ 2,500.00	Library	\$ 2,063.52
600.00	Health Expenses	355.09
400.00	Commencement	318.92
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\$ 3,500.00	Total Auxiliary Agencies	\$ 2,737.53

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

\$ 7,718.05	New Equipment and Furniture	\$ 7,732.46
1,500.00	Fire Escape — Prospect Street School	1,163.90
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\$ 9,218.05	Total Capital Outlay	\$ 8,896.36
\$110,677.63	Total General Maintenance	
31.27	Refunds	
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\$110,708.90		\$106,625.85
\$531,392.59	Total Salaries	\$529,119.91
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\$642,101.49	Grand Total	\$635,745.76
20,000.00	Transportation	18,959.75
3,000.00	Vocational Tuition	2,968.97
4,200.00	Athletic Account	4,200.00
3,800.00	Cafeteria Account	3,800.00
1,500.00	Junior High Repairs	
467.00	Highland School Repairs	

READING SCHOOL COMMITTEE — 1954

Receipts not from Tax Levy — Showing Net Cost to Town
January 2, 1954

Estimate 1954		GENERAL ACCOUNT		1953
Appropriation	Credits			
\$692,641.93		Total Expenditures (less transportation)		\$635,745.76
		Receipts:		
	\$ 93,311.70	State Reimbursement (estimate)	\$ 88,611.71	
	28,000.00	Tuition	27,246.20	
	2,500.00	Tuition — other	2,774.51	
124,811.70	1,000.00	Sundry	601.49	119,233.91
		Net Cost to Town		\$516,511.85
\$567,830.23				
		VOCATIONAL TUITION		
		Total Expenditures		\$ 2,968.97
		Receipts:		
	\$ 3,000.00	State Reimbursement	1,330.20	
	1,300.00			
		Net Cost to Town		\$ 1,638.77
\$ 1,700.00				
		TRANSPORTATION		
		Total Expenditures		\$ 18,959.75
		Receipts:		
	\$ 25,000.00	State Reimbursement	597.70	
	600.00			
		Net Cost to Town		\$ 18,362.05
\$ 24,400.00				

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of Reading, Massachusetts
Mrs. Milton and Gentlemen:

Herewith please find my sixth report as Superintendent of Schools, which is the 61st in the series of Annual Reports describing the work of the Reading Public Schools.

STAFF

Reading has lost many fine teachers during 1953:

High School

James M. Aldrich	Chemistry and Science
Aline L. Archambault	English
Victor J. Archambault	Physical Education
Elsie I. Bishop	Librarian
Marion B. Wadsworth	French

Junior High School

Marian D. Day	Science
Barbara McCarthy	Home Economics
Marjorie T. Pacino	Mathematics, Permanent Substitute
Martin L. Robie	Social Studies

Joshua Eaton School

Jane Gross Carey	Grade 2
Bernard Huntley	Grade 6
Jacqueline Nickles	Grade 5
Gloria Rosenthal	Grade 3
Nancy Sweet	Grade 4

Highland School

Marlys D. Arnold	Grade 1
Arthur W. Lalime	Grade 6
Olive L. Joney	Grade 5

Pearl Street School

Carol P. Berry	Grade 3
Elizabeth P. Cavanaugh	Grade 6
Margaret S. Jacobus	Grades 2 and 3
Beth MacGregor	Grade 1
Thelma McDonnell	Grade 2

Lowell Street School

Ruth H. LeBrun	Grade 2
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Maintenance Department

Agnes G. Hurley	Junior High School, Matron
Mary A. Kingman	High School, Manager

We have been fortunate in securing well qualified teachers to fill vacancies and new positions created because of increased enrollment.

The hiring of teachers was easier this year because of the increase in the salary schedule voted by you of the School Committee. Reading returned to its competitive position by the increases voted to teachers. Teachers hired to fill vacancies are as follows:

High School

Clarissa B. Abbott	English
Rose E. Chiesa	French
Ernestine Macdonald	Librarian
H. Neil Soule	Science

Junior High School

Gilbert F. Bulley	Social Studies
Elisabeth A. Dagdigian	English
Thomas J. Ganley	Mathematics
F. Shirley Hughes	Household Arts — Clothing
William T. McGrail	Social Studies
James T. Murphy	Science

Joshua Eaton School

Viola H. Guarino	Grade 1
Helen B. Morgan	Grade 1
Patricia Reiman	Grade 5
Ileen N. Sadowski	Grade 4

Highland School

Jean W. Bennett	Grade 5, Permanent Substitute
Carl E. Burri	Grade 6
Ann Cullen	Grade 3
Thelma M. Garnett	Grade 1

Pearl Street School

Philip F. Luosey	Supervising Principal
Luanna E. Devenis	Grade 3
Margaret S. Jacobus	Grade 2
Dennis F. Murphy	Grade 6
Dorothy R. Payzant	Grade 1

Lowell Street School

Dorothy L. Conron	Grade 2
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Prospect Street School

Nellie P. Greene	Grade 6, Permanent Substitute
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The school system welcomed the return from two years' service in the Air Corps in Japan of Mr. Philip Althoff, Director of Physical Education.

Today, we hear much about the shortage of elementary school teachers, but our experience has been that there are many well qualified elementary school teachers (except in the late summer) who want to teach in Reading.

Contrarywise, while there have been too many teachers who wanted to work on the secondary school level in the past, today a shortage is

developing because of increased enrollment at that level. Of no little concern to us is the shortage of science teachers, who are in great demand in industry. As our large enrollment of elementary school pupils moves into high school, the teacher supply will be even more critical.

Reading is fortunate in having teachers who are well trained and prepared, who also are, for the most part, dedicated to working for boys and girls and who give of themselves as people who have not taught can scarcely appreciate. It is because of this and because of their enthusiasm for their work that our boys and girls learn more than is typical of pupils throughout the country. Teachers' morale could be higher, but it is not at the low ebb of one year ago.

THE WORK OF THE SCHOOLS

Elementary

During the past year the work of the elementary schools has improved; the program for integration has been carried forward. Standardized texts are in use in reading, arithmetic, social studies, and science and school libraries have been much expanded this year. As a result of the schools closing at noon bi-monthly teachers have been able to work together in analyzing the schools' program and teaching techniques. The time, also, has been used for individual parent conferences, to the child's advantage.

An analysis of standardized test results indicates that the average pupil in Reading is from one month to over a year advanced in every subject in every grade in the elementary schools. While it is true that the better intelligence of our pupils would indicate better than average achievement, this alone does not account for their superiority; the materials of instruction and our fine teachers are also in some measure responsible.

The use of visual aids, which proved so effective in the military service, field trips to places of historic interest, and museums and industrial plants broaden the child's horizon. Organized recreation, plays, dances and orchestras may be considered by some to be totally unrelated to education and the traditional hard core of learning, but exacting studies comparing the product of the traditional school with that of modern instruction clearly indicate that the use of these devices and activities produce a better educated individual. Our schools are organized to provide a solid foundation in the fundamentals as well as to provide for the activities mentioned above.

Junior High School

Much of what has been said of the elementary schools also applies to the Junior High School. Tests in spelling, arithmetic, algebra and science in Grades 7, 8 and 9, and tests in all subjects in Grade 8 indicate that the average boy or girl has achieved more than is typical for pupils in the nation. All pupils engage in some student activity, from membership on the student council to use and care of projectors. We lose many teachers from the Junior High School. Today we have 13

who have been here three years or less. It is necessary, therefore, to maintain a regular program for inservice training of teachers to be sure that the school's program is properly coordinated.

This year the Junior High School teachers have used two days per month when schools close early to revise the course of study in English grammar and usage, to revise tests in mathematics and social studies, to develop a new teaching guide in household arts, and to revise the program of studies in science. A new course of study is being completed in industrial arts, the program in music has been strengthened. As in the past, a very strong sports and intramural program for both boys and girls is maintained.

High School

Reading High School continues to do fine work in preparing our youth for college. All members of the class who planned to go to college passed the entrance requirements this year. At the end of the first marking period all Freshmen were doing well in college.

Heads of departments working with the Principal and me have been reviewing the curriculum in anticipation of entering the new building, where we shall have room to broaden the High School's curriculum and bring the school's offerings into line with programs provided in other good schools. We continue to lose too many pupils before graduation for "lack of interest". The new program may reduce the number of "drop-outs". Teachers have worked conscientiously under rather trying conditions and look forward to doing even better work in the new school.

The English Department, the Art Department and the students were pleased this year to have the High School Yearbook place second in national competition. Last year the Yearbook won first place.

Health

With limited personnel the Reading schools provide a better program in Health than is required by State standards. Because the School Nurse had a far too high case load, she was provided part time assistance. We maintain a strong program through the clinics, general physical examinations, sight and hearing testing, and through the Pupil Adjustment Clinic. Dr. Ping, School Physician, has been very successful in working with several children this year who needed professional help in adjusting to acceptable standards.

Music

Music continues to improve in the Reading schools, largely as a result of the intensified efforts of the Director of Music and his assistant. Beside the strong basic program in the classroom, there is an orchestra in each of the large elementary schools and at Junior High School. There are fine choral groups at both Junior and Senior High Schools, and a steadily improving band. The success of music in Reading is indicated by the fact that pupils of the Lowell Street School were invited to demonstrate flutophone playing at Boston University, the Junior High School Glee Clubs broadcast over WCOP, and the High School Chorus broadcast over the same station. The band was invited to participate in other towns.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS

We, in the schools, are grateful for the help and support of the parents. While it seems only natural that parents would be interested, in Reading the number of parents who work through the PTA and the frequent evidence of their desire to help to improve the schools' work is as unusual as it is heartening.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on present enrollment in the schools and using typical entering first grade classes with little recognition of possible growth of the Town, the following facts need serious study for their implications. In September 1954 all elementary school classrooms will be in use. Three classes of sixth grade pupils must go to the Junior High School building. The ninth grade will be transferred to the new High School.

In the very near future, probably by 1956, one third of the eighth grade pupils must be transferred to the new High School and all sixth grade pupils transferred to the Junior High School.

By 1960 there is good reason to believe the Town should provide 23 additional classrooms for elementary school use (or 31 if we abandon the Lowell and Prospect Street Schools), and 14 classrooms should be added to the Junior High School. The addition of these rooms should make it possible for us to return to the present system of organization: Elementary grades, 1-6; Junior High School, grades 7-9; Senior High, grades 10-12.

It should be apparent from the above that there will be a tremendous problem of dislocation during this period, undesirable from the pupils' point of view and awkward for administration.

We should also plan for the development of an athletic field at the new High School.

In our concern about providing adequate housing we should not overlook the fact that good education is provided by well trained teachers and the Town must maintain an attractive salary schedule if it is going to maintain present high standards.

Enclosed herewith are pictures of the new school and pictures of some of the school activities.

May I thank the Board for their support of a good educational program and for their assistance to the staff and me.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR B. LORD, JR.
Superintendent of Schools



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK IS OBSERVED AT HIGHLAND SCHOOL



FIRST GRADE CHILDREN IN MISS SALVA'S ROOM, HIGHLAND SCHOOL. LEARN ABOUT TRANSPORTATION

READING PUBLIC SCHOOLS AGE-GRADE TABLE — October 1, 1953

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
Grade 1	93	239	6														338
" 2	123	184	8	1													316
" 3			57	163	23												243
" 4				73	151	18	2										244
" 5				1	77	156	16										250
" 6					107	140	15	2	1	1							266
" 7						83	150	18	4	1	1						257
" 8							70	109	25	4							208
" 9								74	104	21	6						205
" 10									75	132	38	3	3				251
" 11										54	113	23	5				195
" 12											56	88	25	6	1		176
PG														1	1		2
Totals	93	362	247	245	252	281	241	235	203	209	213	214	114	34	7	1	2951

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

Grade 1	25	36															61
" 2		27	39														66
" 3			10	44	3												57
" 4				11	30	1	1										43
" 5					15	30											45
" 6						16	22	2	2								42
	25	63	49	55	48	47	23	2	2							Total Parochial	314
Grand Total	118	425	296	300	300	328	264	237	205	209	213	214	114	34	7	1	3265

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1954 — 1955

School Open	September 8, 1954
No Sessions:	
Columbus Day	October 12, 1954
Teachers' Convention	October 29, 1954
Armistice Day	November 11, 1954
Good Friday	April 8, 1955
Memorial Day	May 30, 1955
Thanksgiving Recess:	
Close on November 24, 1954 (noontime)	
Open on November 29th	
Christmas Vacation:	
Close on December 23, 1954 (noontime)	
Open on January 3rd	
Winter Vacation:	
Close on February 18, 1955	
Open on February 28th	
Spring Vacation:	
Close on April 15, 1955	
Open on April 25th	
Schools Close	June 22, 1955

SCHOOL ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Effective September 1, 1954, a child, to be eligible for admission to Grade 1 in the Reading Public Schools, must be five years ten months of age as of September 1 of the entering year.

To enter school, each child is required to present a birth certificate and a certificate of vaccination, or in the case of unsuccessful vaccination, a statement from the doctor certifying that three attempts to vaccinate have been made, all of which have proved to be unsuccessful.

Registration of children entering school in September is held in the different schools some time during May. Announcement of exact time is made through The Reading Chronicle.

SCHOOL CLINICS

Dental Clinic: Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

Eaton School — 9:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.

Immunization Clinic: Annually by appointment.

MEMBERS OF READING SCHOOL FACULTIES

(Dates indicate year of appointment in Reading)

School Committee Office

Arthur B. Lord, Jr., A.B., M.Ed. (1948)	Superintendent of Schools
Er Chang Ping, M.D. (1952)	School Physician

Supervisors

Philip W. Althoff, B.P.E., M.Ed. (1927)	Director of Physical Education
Margaret B. Clewley, R.N. (1939)	Supervisor of Health
Roderick MacDonald, B.S.Ed. (1937)	Director of Industrial Arts
Florence G. Nichols, B.S.Ed. (1929)	Supervisor of Physical Education
J. Douglas Oliver, A.B., M. Mus. Ed. (1948)	Director of Music
Geraldine F. Roy, B.S., M. Ed. (1950)	Supervisor of Art

Senior High School

Rudolf Sussmann, B.S.Ed. (1917)	Supervising Principal
Luke Halpin, B.S., M.A. (1922)	Asst. Prin., Math., Guidance
	Head of Dept., Tests and Measurements
Clarissa B. Abbott, B.S.Ed. (1953)	English
Victor J. Archambault, A.B. (1951)	Physical Ed., Coach
Clifford W. Baker, B.S., A.M. (1944)	Math., Guidance
Elizabeth A. Batchelder, B.S.Ed. (1916)	English
Alton C. Bennett, A.B., M.A. (1947)	History, Faculty Manager
Robert Bronner, B.S.Ed., M.S.Ed. (1940)	History, Guidance
Rose E. Chiesa, A.B. (1953)	French
Virginia M. Cox, A.B., A.M. (1945)	English
Joseph A. Crowley, A.B., M.Ed. (1946)	Mathematics, Coach
Jane R. Cutcliffe, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1952)	English
Alberta F. Drury, Salem Normal (1917)	Bookkeeping, Consumer Ed.
Joseph F. Fitzgerald, A.B., A.M. (1929)	Math., Head of Dept.
Alice H. Franzen, B.S.E. (1947)	Sten., Type., Jr. Class Adv.
William E. Hanlon, A.B., M.Ed. (1945)	History, Head of Dept.
Svea W. Kling, B.B.A., M.Ed. (1940)	Sten., Type., Head of Dept.
Ernestine Macdonald, A.B. (1953)	Librarian
Frederick J. Pope, B.S., M.Ed. (1922)	Phys., Chem., Head of Dept.
Edward W. Roever, A.B., M.Ed. (1950)	Spanish, Coach
Mary E. Shay, B.A., M.A. (1943)	English, Head of Dept.
H. Neil Soule, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Science
Arthur L. Spencer, A.B., A.M. (1938)	Latin
	Head of Foreign Lang. Dept.
Henry W. Wegiel, B.M. (1951)	Music
Philip A. Wogan, B.S.Ed., M. Ed. (1949)	Biology, Math.
Helen R. Zimmerman, B.A., M.S., Ph.D. (1936)	Biology

Junior High School

Robert F. Perry, B.S., (1935)	Supervising Principal
Ethelyn M. Cowperthwaite, B.S.Ed. (1945)	Asst. Principal, English
Ray C. Austin, B.S.Ed. (1951)	Industrial Arts
Lois E. Baldwin, B.A. (1951)	Physical Education
Harriet S. Beattie, B.S.Ed. (1937)	Art
Elizabeth B. Beckett, A.B. (1950)	English, Music
Gilbert F. Bulley, B.Ed. (1953)	Math., Social Studies

Stanley E. Butcher, A.B. (1949)	Social Studies
John R. Copithorne, B.A., M.Ed. (1946)	Science
Elisabeth A. Dagdigian, A.B. (1953)	English
Louise J. Eldridge, B.A., M.A. (1950)	Latin, French
Thomas J. Ganley, B.S. (1953)	Mathematics
Walter E. Hawkes, B.S., M.Ed. (1933)	Physical Education
Shirley Hughes, B.S. (1953)	Household Arts
Hazel W. Hunt, B.A. (1949)	Social Studies
Helen R. Knight, B.S.E., M.Ed. (1946)	English
William T. McGrail, B.A., Ed.M. (1953)	Social Studies
James T. Murphy, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Science
John B. Pacino, B.S., M.Ed. (1945)	Bus. Train., Social Studies
Dorothy B. Rice, A.B. (1949)	Mathematics
Neil C. Robinson, B.S., M.Ed. (1936)	Social Studies
Ann K. Roewer, B.S.Ed. (1952)	Mathematics
Ernest G. Spence, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1951)	Science
Clementina F. Sudak, B.S.Ed. (1947)	English
Margaret E. Tyacke, B. Uni. (1926)	English
Frederick C. Wales, B.S.E. (1942)	Industrial Arts
Alice A. Welch, B.S. (1950)	Household Arts
Albert H. Woodward, A.B., Ed.M. (1940)	Mathematics

Joshua Eaton School

Eleanor M. Skahiil, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1943)	Supervising Principal
R. Hilda Gaffney, B.S.Ed. (1941)	Assistant Principal and Grade 6
Clara A. Anderson, B.S.Ed. (1944)	Grade 3
Eileen R. Cummings, B.S.Ed. (1945)	Grade 2
Lorraine Domingue, B.S.E. (1952)	Grade 1
Doris S. Forbes, Plymouth T.C. (1947)	Grade 5
Grace L. Gifford, Wheelock School (1943)	Grade 1
Viola M. Guarino, B.A. (1953)	Grade 1
Glennalee W. Hein, Perry Normal School (1952)	Grade 1
Esther Kempton, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1946)	Grade 4
Helena A. Markham, Framingham T.C. (1934)	Grade 3
Alberta R. Mathieson, Salem T.C. (1924)	Grade 2
Helen B. Morgan, Lowell Normal (1953)	Grade 1
Patricia Reiman, B.S. (1953)	Grade 5
Irene R. Royea, Aroostook County Normal (1928)	Grade 2
Martha E. Ryder, B.S.Ed., M.S.Ed. (1949)	Creative Workshop
Ileen N. Sadowski, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Grade 4
Beatrice Stasinopulos, B.S.Ed. (1952)	Grade 5
Patricia A. Thorburn, B.S. Ed. (1953)	Grade 4
Alice V. Wentworth, A.B. (1951)	Grade 3

Highland School

Elizabeth Graham, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1941)	Supervising Principal
Stella M. Salva, B.S.Ed. (1951)	Assistant Principal and Grade 1
Jean W. Bennett, Salem T.C. (1953)	Grade 5
Dorothy L. Burgess, Lesley School (1926)	Grade 3
Carl E. Burri, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Grade 6
Catherine M. Chipman, Lowell T.C. (1944)	Grade 2
Dorothy L. Cronin, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1933)	Grade 2
Ann Cullen, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Grade 3

Thelma M. Garnett, A.B. (1953)	Grade 1
Carolyn C. Grace, N. Adams Normal School, (1919)	Grade 5
Dorothy Leslie, B.A. (1948)	Grade 1
Janet V. Priestley, B.S.Ed. (1952)	Grade 4
Angela O. Russotto, B.S.E. (1952)	Grade 5
Ethelyn F. Stoutermire, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1951)	Grade 4

Pearl Street School

Philip F. Luosey, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Supervising Principal
Mary W. Moore, B.S.Ed. (1941)	Asst. Principal and Grades 5 & 6
Jean W. Bickford, B.S.Ed. (1948)	Grade 1
Velma E. Curtin, Perry Kindergarten School (1927)	Grade 2
Luanna E. Devenis, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Grade 3
A. Josephine Guild, B.S.Ed. (1944)	Grade 1
Frances Haskins, Aroostook County T.C. (1943)	Grade 4
Barbara Hill, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1949)	Remedial Teacher Elementary Schools
George W. Hosker, B.S.Ed. (1951)	Grade 6
Anne M. Howe, Framingham T.C. (1947)	Grades 3 and 4
Margaret B. Jacobus, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Grade 2
Elizabeth J. Kerrigan, A.B. (1950)	Grade 5
Dennis F. Murphy, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Grade 6
Dorothy R. Payzant, B.L.I. (1953)	Grade 1
Dorothy L. Soar, Salem Normal (1951)	Grade 2
Marialice Stratton, B.S. (1948)	Grade 3
Jane Weldon, B.S., M.Ed. (1951)	Grade 4

Lowell Street School

Nellie P. Beaton, Hyannis T.C. (1920)	Principal and Grade 4
Dorothy Conron, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Grade 2
Jessie L. Goddard, Bridgewater T.C.	Grade 3, Permanent Substitute
Marion Weagle, B.S.E. (1946)	Grade 4

Prospect Street School

Constance B. Loud, B.S.Ed. (1948)	Principal and Grade 6
Dorothy E. Corindia, A.B. (1952)	Grade 6
Nellie P. Greene, Appalachian T.C.	Grade 6, Permanent Substitute
E. Lorraine Pulson, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1948)	Grade 6

SCHOOL SECRETARIES AND CLERKS

High School

Myrtle W. Tilton, Secretary
Jean S. Underhill, Clerk

Junior High School

Elizabeth A. Brush, School Secretary

Joshua Eaton School

Dorothy L. Wardrope, School Secretary

Highland School

Clarice D. Hynes, School Secretary

Pearl Street School

Dorothy A. Walsh, School Secretary

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS AND MATRONS

High School

W. Ray Yorks, Head Custodian
William J. Broussard
Catherine M. Miller, Matron

Junior High School

Fred B. Riessle, Head Custodian
Fred B. Gibson
Andrew J. Lomax
Mary V. Lomax, Matron

Joshua Eaton School

Stuart R. Nichols, Head Custodian
George Rees

Highland School

Daniel J. Buckley, Head Custodian
Richard E. MacBrien, Jr.
Elizabeth Bates, Matron

Pearl Street School

Edward F. Harrison, Head Custodian
Roy L. Brogan

Lowell Street School

William A. Lloyd

Prospect Street School

Henry Gromyko, Part time. Balance of time: All other schools

CAFETERIAS

Supervisor

Lois M. Connor

Senior High School

Evelyn Mullen, Manager
Ida H. Johnson

Junior High School

Elsiemae Collins, Manager
Flora MacPhail
Eva E. Noble
Mav C. Kimball, Part time

Joshua Eaton School

Edith J. French, Manager
Anna Roscoe
Elizabeth Miller

Highland School

Evelyn M. Davis, Manager
Lila Hall, Part time

Pearl Street School

Irene Cook, Manager
Nellie Laetsch
Mary Bacigalupo, Part time

READING HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Class of 1953

June 10, 1953

PROCESSIONAL MARCH

High School Band

RAISING OF FLAG and PLAYING OF COLORS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Led by Class President, Richards H. Burhoe, Jr.

STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Key-Smith

Audience, Senior Class, and Band

PRAYER

Rev. Paul E. Sheldon

SALUTATORY

"Influence"

Claudia Frances Palmunen

TORCH ORATION

Richards H. Burhoe, Jr.

ESSAY

"All American"

Nancy Ann Cutcliffe, Class Honors

ESSAY

"Early Planning for Higher Education"

Channing Crocker Brown, Faculty Honors

ESSAY

"A Small World"

David Franklin Ham, Class Honors

ESSAY

"Communism for What It's Worth"

Jean Marie Earley, Class Honors

VALEDICTORY

"General Education"

Virginia Claire Doucette

CONFERRING SCHOLASTIC HONORS

Rudolf Sussmann, Headmaster

CONFERRING DIPLOMAS

Philip R. White, Chairman of School Board

AMERICA

Smith-Carey

Audience, Senior Class, and Band

BENEDICTION — Rev. Paul E. Sheldon

RECESSIONAL MARCH

High School Band

CANDIDATES FOR DIPLOMAS

Carl Harold Abell
Joan Allen
Thaddeus W. Allen, Jr.
Warren Arthur Anderson
Earl Lea Augusta
Louis Boyce Bacigalupo
Kilborn C. Bagley
James Bassett
Charles Robert Bayrd
Thomas S. Behen, Jr.
Donald Francis Belair
Virginia Irene Bigham
Robert Pierce Blandy
Channing Crocker Brown
Richards H. Burhoe, Jr.
Joyce Mary Butler
Nancy Carolyn Carlson
William Michael Carney
Edward Leon Carter
Nancy Lee Chamberlain
John Alfred Chase
William Potter Clark
George A. Clattenburg, Jr.
Harold Willis Cogger
John Francis Coit
Marc Emerson Colburn
Richard Collins
Leo Vincent Connors
Dolores Rose Conti
Jane Cooper
Roger James Corke
Fane Constance Cowan
Richard George Cross
Barbara Maxine Crouse
Robert Edward Cryts
Nancy Ann Cutcliffe
Thomas Allen Cutler
Donald Murray David
Robert L. D'Entremont
Eleanor Ann Doherty
Elizabeth Francis Doherty
Elaine Doran
Virginia Claire Doucette
Jean Marie Earley
Warren Elliott Edwards
Robert Gerald Faulkner
Janet Louise Ferren
Elielen Joyce Foster

Ann Elise Francis
Elizabeth Gilmore French
Marilyn Dorothy Frongillo
Patricia M. Gallant
Herbert Lee Gardner
Richard Howe Gibson
William A. Green, Jr.
Phyllis Mary Griffin
Dorothy Marilyn Hall
Kathleen Cornelia Halloran
David Franklin Ham
Jack A. Hardy
William A. Harvey
Alvird Louis Hayward
Ann Frances High
Marie Horrigan
Priscilla Anne Howe
Alice Belle Hoyt
Mary-Joanne Hubbard
Lois Joan Hulsman
James Michael Johnson
Richard Ivar Johnson
Walter Alvin Johnson
Paul Francis Jones
Stephen Alan Land
Lorraine Marie LeBlanc
Margaret Ann Leonard
Barbara Minnie Long
Peggy Lou Loud
Ann Lovering
Walter Martin MacCaughey
William Daniel MacKinnon, Jr.
Andrew Worth MacLeod
Donald Gordon MacLeod, Jr.
Dolores Louise Magno
Eunice Ann Marden
Donald Edgar Martinage
Louis Hubert Martinage
David James Martin, Jr.
Lois June McElwee
Mary Joan McMahon
Sheila Margaret McNabola
Virginia Lillian Merrill
Judith Marie Miller
William Anthony Miller
Allan C. Milley
Henry Carleton Milton
James Michael Murdock

Beverly Ann Murphy
 David Anthony Murphy
 James Fairbanks Murphy
 Neil Hamilton Murray
 Albert Wendell Nelson
 William Howard Oram
 Arthur Franklin Orben, Jr.
 Arthur Thomas Ouimet III
 Donald Wesley Owen
 Claudia Frances Palmunen
 Patience Kenworthy Peale
 Joyce Carolyn Perkins
 John Carl Peterson
 June Kathleen Peterson
 Kimber Harvey Pigon
 Harold Stanley Pike, Jr.
 Arnold Paul Poehler
 Carol Ann Powers
 Clifford Stuart Read
 Barbara Ann Record
 Frances Charlotte Rich
 Arline Edna Richards
 Charles M. Richardson
 Myrna Gail Richardson
 Corinne Anne Rightmyer
 Jeanette Alma Robbins
 Franklin Bartlett Rodgers
 Nancy Ann Rodgers
 Wayne Abbott Rollins
 Alan Ruderman

Albert Franklin Runge
 Joseph R. Rushton
 Richard Earl Schofield
 David Higgins Schurman
 Richard Taylor Secord
 Ralph E. Sellars, Jr.
 Harriet Jo Smith
 William Smith
 Ruth Hazel Stiles
 Calvin Wilson Sturge
 Donald Surdam
 Helen Swenson
 Laurence George Taylor
 Gloria Doris Thibault
 Nancy L. Towle
 Willard Brackett Tucker, Jr.
 Douglas Dwight Twinam
 Evelyn Frances Urquhart
 Margaret Teresa Vasey
 John Anthony Venuti
 Robert Mitchell Warren
 Barbara Ann Watson
 Cynthia Anna Weir
 Lillis M. Wellington
 Eric J. Wells
 Roy Francis White, Jr.
 Eleanor Katherine Williams
 George F. Woodle, Jr.
 Elaine Carol Woods
 Joseph Richard Wright
 Donald Zanni

NO SCHOOL SIGNALS

Radio announcement, when possible, over WNAC, WEEL, WBZ, and WLAW between 7:00 and 7:45 a. m. Fire alarm 2-2 repeated three times at 7:15 a. m., for the High School; 7:30 a. m. for the Junior High, and 7:45 a. m. for elementary schools. Signals at 12:30 for elementary afternoon sessions.

Since the elementary schools have two sessions, the afternoon session may be discontinued due to inclement weather. When afternoon sessions are discontinued, announcement will be made over the radio, as well as in the individual schools, on or before 11:30 a. m.

In most cases, the decision as to whether or not children should attend school rests with the parent, in view of the fact that parents are in a better position to know whether or not their children may attend school in safety without injuring their health. Because the cost of operation of a school building, particularly during the winter months, is about the same whether or not school is open, it is the policy for the schools to be open every day except under emergency conditions: consequently, the occasion for "no school" will seldom arise.

The Annual Report of your Board of Selectmen for the year ending December 31, 1953 follows:

At a regular meeting on March 9, 1953 the Board organized as follows—

Kenneth C. Latham, Chairman
James E. Calvin
G. Lawrence Roberts, Secretary
Boyd H. Stewart, Clerk

Regular meetings were held every Monday evening, with the exception of the summer months when they were held every other week, and such special meetings as deemed necessary were held throughout the year.

We followed our usual custom by providing the "Chronicle" each week with a condensed agenda of all meetings.

The various departments under the jurisdiction of this Board have made their reports, which appear on other pages.

We believe the most outstanding accomplishment during 1953 was the completion of parking lot No. 2 in the rear of the stores on lower Haven Street. We should like to acknowledge a substantial contribution toward the completion of this project by the Atlantic Food Mart, Inc. Reading's facilities for off-street parking now compare more than favorably with any nearby community.

During the year a number of joint meetings were held with other Town boards, including the Town Counsel, and the Town Treasurer, to discuss various problems. For example, the discussions concerned industrial development, plans for a swimming pool in the future, use of the old Senior High School, playgrounds, revision of the zoning act, wages and salaries of Town employees, and the question of the final cost of the new High School. These meetings will be continued, as they are considered a most valuable means of exchanging ideas by all those who have participated.

During the year the following committees were appointed:

1. An Industrial Committee, made up of a representative from the following departments — Public Works, Municipal Light, Assessors, Planning, Welfare, School, and Selectmen — to study the possibility of developing certain areas in the Town for light industry.

2. A Town Report Committee to revise and improve the format of Town reports, the first results of which will in all probability be evident in the 1954 annual report.

During the year the Town received \$35,609.96 under the will of the late Ethel Edna Grant, to be held in trust for construction of a swimming pool in the future. In connection with this bequest we received

a court release of condition in the deed of gift which will allow us to place this pool in some location other than Memorial Park, a requirement in the will as written. It is our plan to shortly organize a committee from various service organizations such as the Lions, Rotarians, Y.M.C.A., etc., to work with us and discuss ideas in relation to this matter, including a possible Community Building.

We have discussed the advisability of calling a meeting of the merchants of the Town, hoping that it might lead to consideration being given to the formation of a Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce, or some other association which, we believe, would be of mutual benefit to all concerned. It is felt by your Board that the Town needs such an organization. It is expected that plans for such a meeting will be formulated shortly after the Town Meeting in March.

The Town boundaries were perambulated by your Board which, under the law, must be done every five years. As a result, we can report that the Town is exactly where it is supposed to be.

In 1952 we received a petition from the taxicab operators for an increase in their rates. Considerable time was spent, not only in 1952, but likewise in 1953 studying this problem, with the result that in February 1953 we authorized an increase commensurate with their added cost of operation, prior to which the townspeople were invited, through the "Chronicle" to inform us of their feelings in the matter.

Roland E. Ellis was appointed Chief of the Police Department on February 22. William H. Faulkner and Edward M. Hubbard were appointed sergeants as of February 18.

The annual Town Meeting in March authorized a five-day week for the Police Department as of July 1. In order to bring the Department up to the same manpower per shift, it became necessary to appoint five additional patrolmen on a temporary basis, pending Civil Service examinations. We sent three police officers to the State Police School in Framingham, who were as enthusiastic as those who preceded them. It is our plan to continue to take advantage of this training in modern police techniques. At least two, if not three, men are scheduled to attend next year.

Following our policy to equalize the Police and Fire Departments, both in respect to compensation and working hours, we recommended to the Fire Chief that a 56-hour week, in place of the prevailing 70-hour week, be made effective on July 1, 1953. This recommendation was followed. Four additional men were added to this department to bring it up to approximately the same manpower per shift as existed under the 70-hour week.

Some traffic regulation changes were made during the year, with two still being on a trial basis; namely, one-way traffic on Sanborn and Linden streets. We applied to the State Department of Public Works for traffic signals at the intersection of Franklin Street and Route 28, a very dangerous intersection in our opinion. Our request was not approved. Making John Street a "stop" street at Pleasant Street, however, was approved and so recorded in the amended Traffic Rules and Regulations.

Our experiment to use part-time personnel for school traffic duties has worked very satisfactorily. We now have four men placed at strategic spots in the Town. It has been possible to outfit them with proper clothing, caps, badges, etc. This has relieved the regular police force to a considerable extent, and the men we have chosen for the work have been found most satisfactory. Since all of these men were of the retirement age, we have required that they pass a physical examination and, as further protection to the Town, they are under the same insurance coverage as applies to the reserve (auxiliary) police force.

It is with extreme regret that we accepted the resignation of Earl D. Martin of the Finance Committee. John R. Kay was appointed to fill his unexpired term. Mr. Martin was a great help to the Finance Committee and will be greatly missed.

John J. Walsh was appointed to the Board of Registrars to fill the unexpired term of the late Walter A. Scanlon, who likewise will be missed by his associates.

Continuing our plans to convert the buildings under our control from coal to oil, the changeover this year was made in the Police Station at a considerable saving in fuel cost, we believe.

As in the past, a member of your Board was present when draftees left for the armed services. Each draftee was presented with a billfold on which was inscribed the Town Seal in gold.

We continued our practice of previous years in calling for bids on fuel oil, placed a contract order with the lowest bidder, and made available to all Town departments the savings that resulted therefrom.

Through the cooperation of the merchants, a start was made to again have Christmas lighting during the holiday season. To those who contributed, including the Municipal Light Department who furnished the electricity without charge as well as some manpower, our hearty thanks. It is hoped that next year it will be possible to cover a larger area.

It is the opinion of your Board that as much forward thinking as is possible be given to the various problems which we anticipate will become a reality at some future date, possibly in some cases sooner than expected. If the Town continues to expand, particularly in the outskirts, additional manpower and equipment must be provided for both our Police and Fire Departments. We prophesy that the Police Station is large enough to fulfill the Town's requirements for some time to come. This cannot be said, however, of the Fire Department stations. The following gives food for thought with respect to fire protection.

1. The necessity of more adequate coverage of the west side of the Town. It could mean a new station large enough to handle three pieces of equipment, one of which should be a ladder truck, and the required personnel to man them. It must be remembered that most of our rest homes are on the west side.

2. The possibility of adding to the floor space at the Central Fire Station on the lower level to house additional equipment.

3. Shall we need a third fire station with equipment and personnel on the north side of the Town?

4. The possibility of having to add to the budget of the Tree and Moth Department in the years to come to take care of the demands of State and County for more efficient control of the various bugs, beetles, etc., that plague us, and in some instances appear to have become immune to the effects of insecticides currently in use.

5. It seems to your Board that study should be given to the necessity of more road capacity than now is laid out as accesses to the new High School.

6. If there is need for more schools, as reports indicate there apparently will be, should not the necessary land be acquired while it can be had at a reasonable price? Land takings in developed areas are usually very expensive.

Appreciating the Town is on record as desiring to enter the Metropolitan District Commission's water system at some future date, we have recommended to the Board of Public Works a re-examination of the water supply situation particularly in view of the probable higher M.D.C. entrance and water costs and beyond which the Town's approval was predicated.

We have been in communication with the Municipal Light Board in respect to examination of the rate structure versus peak load factor, franchises, capital outlay, and kindred subjects which does, or can, affect our cost of power purchased from the Boston Edison Company.

It is appreciated that some of these thoughts involve departments not under our jurisdiction, but we believe our citizens are entitled to know of our long-range thinking on the subjects mentioned, and on those which will be brought up from time to time, either through the medium of the "Chronicle" or at Town Meetings.

It is again our privilege to express our appreciation for the co-operation received from the Police Reserve Association, and the Auxiliary Fire Department for the help they rendered throughout the year to the departments with which they are affiliated. Both units are a distinct asset to the Town, and we are mighty proud of them.

Likewise, we thank the Finance Committee and all other departments of the Town with whom we have worked throughout the year for their splendid cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

G. LAWRENCE ROBERTS

Secretary

REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEAL

To the Board of Selectmen
Reading, Mass.

The undersigned submit their report for the Board of Appeal of the Town for the year 1953.

The personnel of the Board changed during the year. Mr. Clifton Nichols and Mr. Richard Jackson resigned from the Board. Mr. Lawrence A. Ingham and Mr. Forrest D. Cook were appointed as regular members. Mr. Quincy A. Lothrop 3rd, and Mr. Gerald E. Fosbroke were appointed associate members. Mr. Ernest L. Nigro remains as a regular member and Mr. Russell Miller as an associate member.

The Board heard 13 cases on 13 hearing days. Two were requests for permits under the Building Code and 16 were for variations of the Zoning By Law. Of the total 12 petitions were granted, 2 were denied, 2 were withdrawn. One petition that was granted was appealed to the Superior Court. Later this petition was withdrawn and the decision was rescinded by the Board. Another decision that was granted was also appealed to the Superior Court and action is pending. One decision has not been acted upon.

ERNEST L. NIGRO, Chairman
LAWRENCE A. INGHAM
FORREST D. COOK

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES

To the Board of Selectmen,
Town of Reading, Mass.
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Custodian of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves for the year ending December 31, 1953. This report is predicated upon the requirements of Sec. 22, Chapter 115 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, and Clause 12, Chapter 144 of the Acts of 1947.

Where Veterans of the armed services have served in more than one war or insurrection, the following listing gives the Veteran credit for only one:

Veterans	Credited Service
41	Revolutionary War
12	War of 1812
2	Mexican War
291	Civil War
1	Indian War
24	Spanish War

97	World War I
23	Mass. State Guard Service in W. W. I
25	World War II
1	Korean Service

Total 517

Appropriation for 1953		\$ 1,200.00
Pay Roll	\$ 1,173.16	
Repairs on Veteran Graves	26.84	
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	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00

There were eight Veterans interred during 1953 as follows:

Spanish War

Fred A. Curtis, Veteran Plot, Grave No. 43, Forest Glen Cemetery, died June 13, 1953, buried June 15, 1953.

World War I

Michael O'Donnell, Veteran Plot, Grave No. 63, Forest Glen Cemetery, died Jan. 16, 1953, buried Jan. 19, 1953.

Lester K. Pratt, Lot No. 572, Laurel Hill Cemetery, died April 4, 1953, buried April 8, 1953.

Dr. Charles R. Wakeling, Lot No. 1217, Laurel Hill Cemetery, died April 30, 1953, buried May 4, 1953.

Charles H. Field, Lot No. 111, Forest Glen Cemetery, died Oct. 22, 1953, buried Oct. 26, 1953.

World War II

Ralph E. Roxbee, Single Grave No. 163, Forest Glen Cemetery, died Feb. 21, 1953, buried Feb. 26, 1953.

William A. Henderson, Lot No. 666, Laurel Hill Cemetery, died April 21, 1953, buried April 24, 1953.

Mass. State Guard

Percy N. Sweetser, Lot No. 44, Forest Glen Cemetery, died Sept. 10, 1953, buried Sept. 12, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. DAVIS

Custodian of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health

Gentlemen:

The annual report of the Plumbing Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1953 is as follows:

Number of Permits issued	223
Number of Fixtures	1,026
Bath Tubs	138
Lavatories	184
Showers	14
Toilets	198
Sinks	144
Trays	53
Tankless	58
Disposals	3
Dishwashers	7
Washing Machines	12
Gas Storage—Hot Water Heaters	22
Electric Storage—Hot Water Heaters	41
Hot Water Tanks	12
Urinals	10
Aid Conditioning Unit	1
Soda Fountain	1
Ejector	1
Repiping	1
MDC Traps	2
Sewer Connections	35
Cesspool	89

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH G. SHAW

Inspector of Plumbing

FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

for the year ended

December 31, 1953

MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

ALFRED H. DOLBEN, Chairman

Term expires 1954

FRANK D. TANNER, Secretary

Term expires 1955

DONALD L. MILLER

Term expires 1956

Manager

CLARENCE L. THOMAS

25 Haven St., Reading, Mass.

MANAGER'S REPORT

To the Municipal Light Board

Gentlemen:

The year 1953 was marked by a continuation of the strong growth that characterized previous post-war years. Most noteworthy was the record increase in output of electricity to customers. In the face of continuous cost increases and delays in construction occasioned by two years of Federal restrictions on materials and apparatus in connection with national defense measures, the task of supplying this record output was met and the year was a good one as can be known from the following facts and figures.

Highlights of the year are presented below followed by complete financial summaries and statements. Photographs of substation equipment placed in operation last year are found on other pages.

ENERGY PURCHASED: 37,704,718 Kilowatt Hours. Last year's improvement in load or "use" factor lowered the cost of electricity purchased at our power station to effect a saving of about \$6,200 as the average cost per kilowatt hour dropped to 1.57 cents.

ENERGY SOLD: 34,235,914 Kilowatt Hours. Customers used more than 4½ million kilowatt hours above those recorded in 1952 or double the volume of six years ago, indicating a growth rate considerably greater than the pre-war national average of doubling in ten years.

OPERATING REVENUES: \$1,059,733.38. Customers received more electricity per dollar as the average revenue per kilowatt hour continued its historical downward trend in 1953 to register a new low of 3.09 cents, a 3% decline from the 3.19 cents average revenue received per kilowatt hour in 1952.

OPERATING EXPENSES: \$928,192.51. The share of revenues required for operating expenses continued to rise. Nevertheless the increase in volume of energy output was proportionately greater and thus reduced last year's average expense per kilowatt hour to 2.71 cents from the 2.78 cents of the previous year.

PAYMENT TO THE TOWN TREASURER (IN LIEU OF TAXES): \$64,439.38. In accordance with a motion at the annual town meeting in March, 1953, the department paid \$64,439.38 to the Town Treasurer an amount equal to 2½ per cent of the total cost of fixed plant and

general equipment as of December 31st of the preceding year plus 10 per cent of the net income for the preceding year as defined in Chapter 164 of the General Laws.

In twenty years contributions made by the Light Department to the Town Treasurer in lieu of taxes have totalled to \$300,230.48.

CUSTOMERS: 10,326. Service was extended to 422 new customers during 1953, a number slightly higher than the 412 average number of new connections added yearly since the end of the last war.

PEAK LOAD: While customers' meters were recording a 15½ per cent increase in consumption of kilowatt hours for the year the maximum load they used in any ½ hour interval during the December peak season was only 6½ per cent above that of the year before to continue an improvement realized in recent years in the average use or load factor. Expenditures for capacity and for unit expenses per kilowatt hour become proportionately less as this factor improves.

ADDITIONS TO PLANT: \$215,387.29. Major additions in 1953 included a 13,800 volt insulated aerial cable line which went into operation on July 29 to supply a 3000 KVA outdoor load center transformer unit in Wilmington, thus making available at the Ash St. station capacity equal to the load formerly supplied through the transformers in Reading. This installation provides capacity for present load levels for about the same cost as the 4,160 volt feeders formerly used with improvements in operating performance and efficiency.

An insulated aerial cable line to North Reading was put in service on December 7th to temporarily operate as a 4,160 volt feeder prior to use at 13,800 volts later this year to supply a 3,000 KVA outdoor load center transformer unit with metal clad switchgear circuit controls. This arrangement also will provide capacity for recent and future growth more economically than if the enlargements were made by a continuance of 4,160 volt overhead construction, and will make the facilities previously used available for service in Reading.

On December 22nd a new 4,160 volt feeder provided 1,200 KVA line capacity to a southerly area of Reading, including the entire industrial zone along Ash St. Nearly half this capacity is available for prospective industrial plants.

Three newly added 48 KVA voltage regulators were installed at the Ash St. station on a spare underground cable line connecting to all overhead circuits which now can have controlled voltage whenever this cable is required to serve in place of any of the underground cables regularly used.

Extensions and enlargement of distribution facilities to new and existing connections required an expenditure of about \$67,000 for 1184 KVA net additional line transformer capacity, 599 new meters, poles, conductors and for new street lights.

Last year's additions to general equipment included the purchase of a new heavy duty line truck and two-way radio communication from the Ast St. station to five mobile units installed on line service vehicles. These additions have greatly expedited the service.

The Light Department has been mindful of its duty to cooperate with other Town Departments in all matters where its prompt attention

could assist in expediting activities requiring coordinated efforts, and is grateful for the cooperation received from other Town Departments.

Acknowledgment and appreciation is accorded to the members of the Municipal Light Board for the considerable time, interest and efforts they have devoted to the conduct and guidance of this Department's activities and to employees who have carried out their duties and obligations to customers.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 57, Chapter 164 of the General Laws, I submit herewith my estimate of income and expenses of the plant for the year ending December 31, 1954.

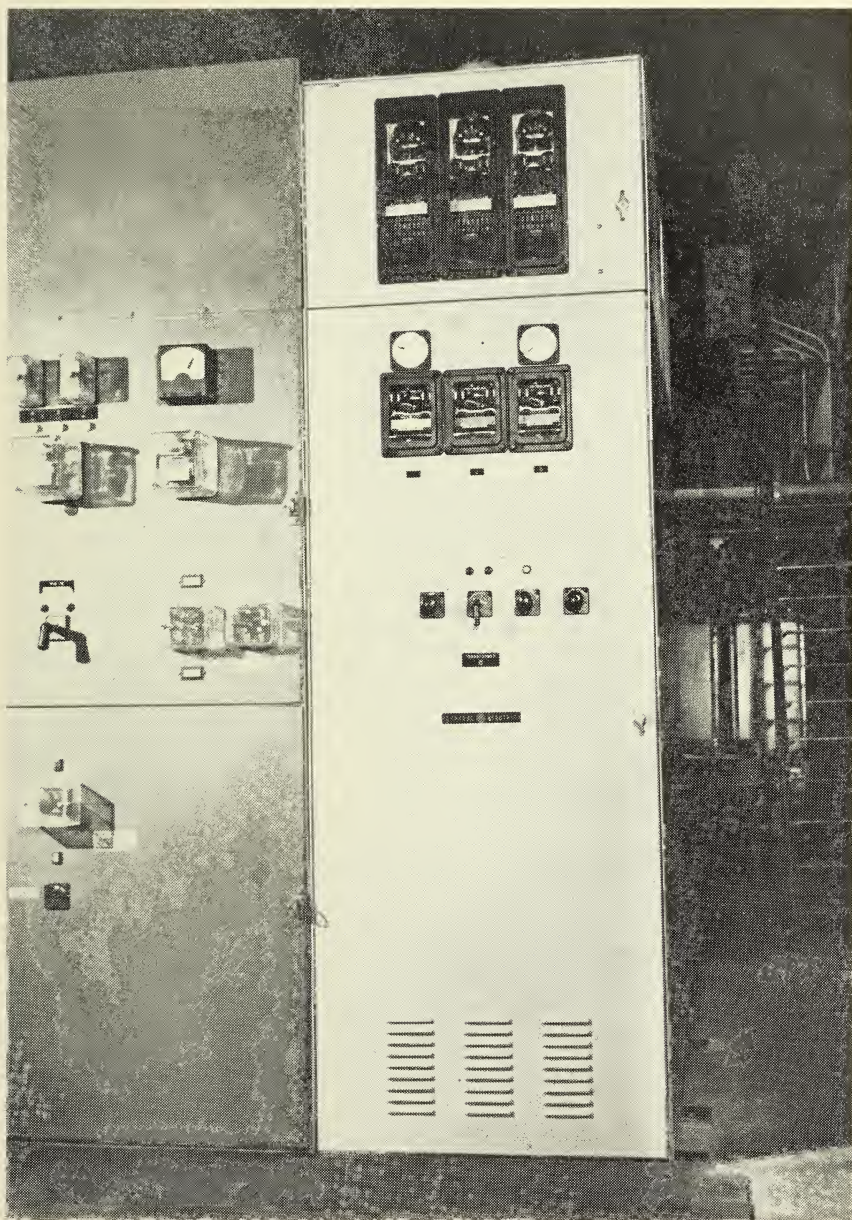
ESTIMATED INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR 1954

	Estimated 1954
INCOME:	
From Private Consumers	\$1,145,493.00
From Tax Levy—	
For Street Lights	17,000.00
For Municipal Buildings	9,184.00
From Miscellaneous Income	1,000.00
Mdse. and Jobbing	6,500.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,179,177.00
EXPENSES:	
Production	\$ 653,153.00
Distribution	122,350.00
Utilization	17,500.00
Commercial	35,600.00
New Business	100.00
General and Miscellaneous	55,600.00
Depreciation	87,518.00
Bond and Note Payments	30,000.00
Interest on Bonds and Notes	6,870.00
Uncollectible Operating Revenue	1,500.00
Merchandise and Jobbing Expense	
Taxes — Outside Towns	18,000.00
Interest on Consumers Deposits	500.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,028,691.00
Excess — Income over Expenses	\$ 150,486.00
K.W.H. Purchased	42,148,600
K.W.H. Sold	37,933,800
K.W.H. for Reading Street Lights	581,452
Expense per K.W.H. Sold	2.685c
Cost of Street Lights	\$ 15,612.00
Appropriation for Street Lights	\$ 17,000.00

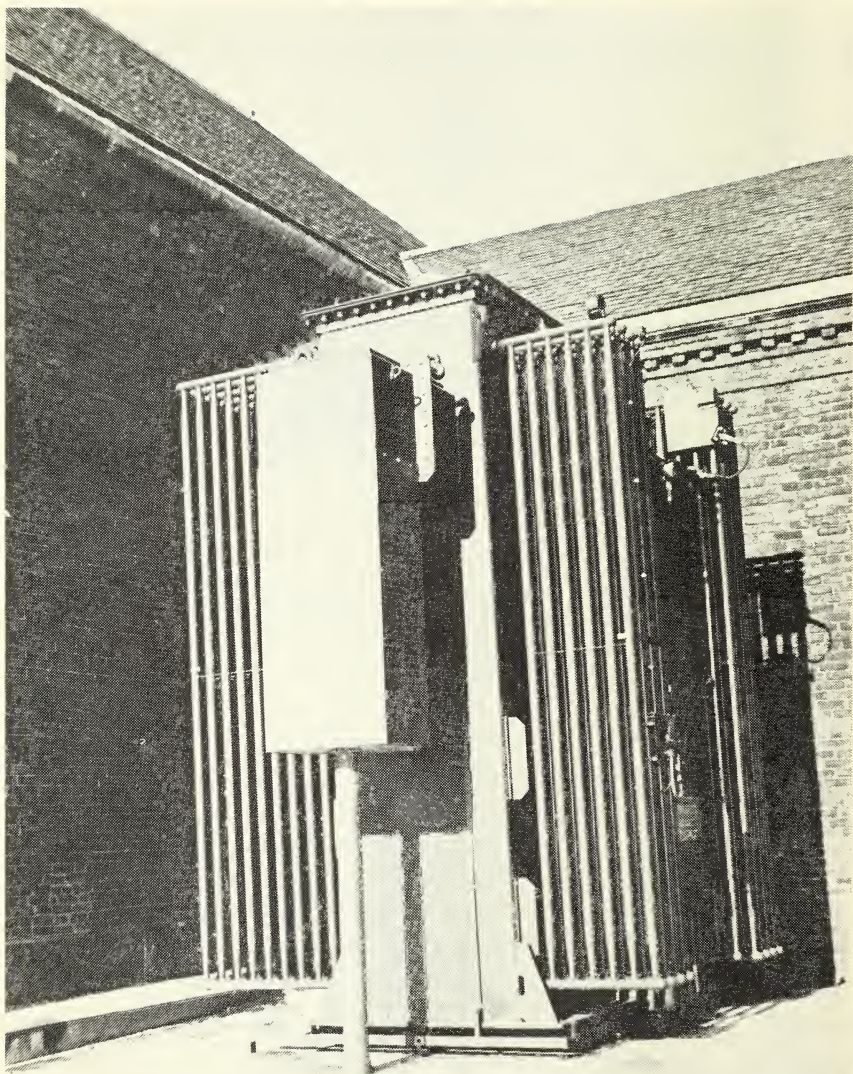
A summary of Income and Expenses, Total Cost of Plant, together with the statement of Assets and Liabilities, the Profit and Loss Account, and the Auditor's Certificate is appended herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE L. THOMAS, Manager



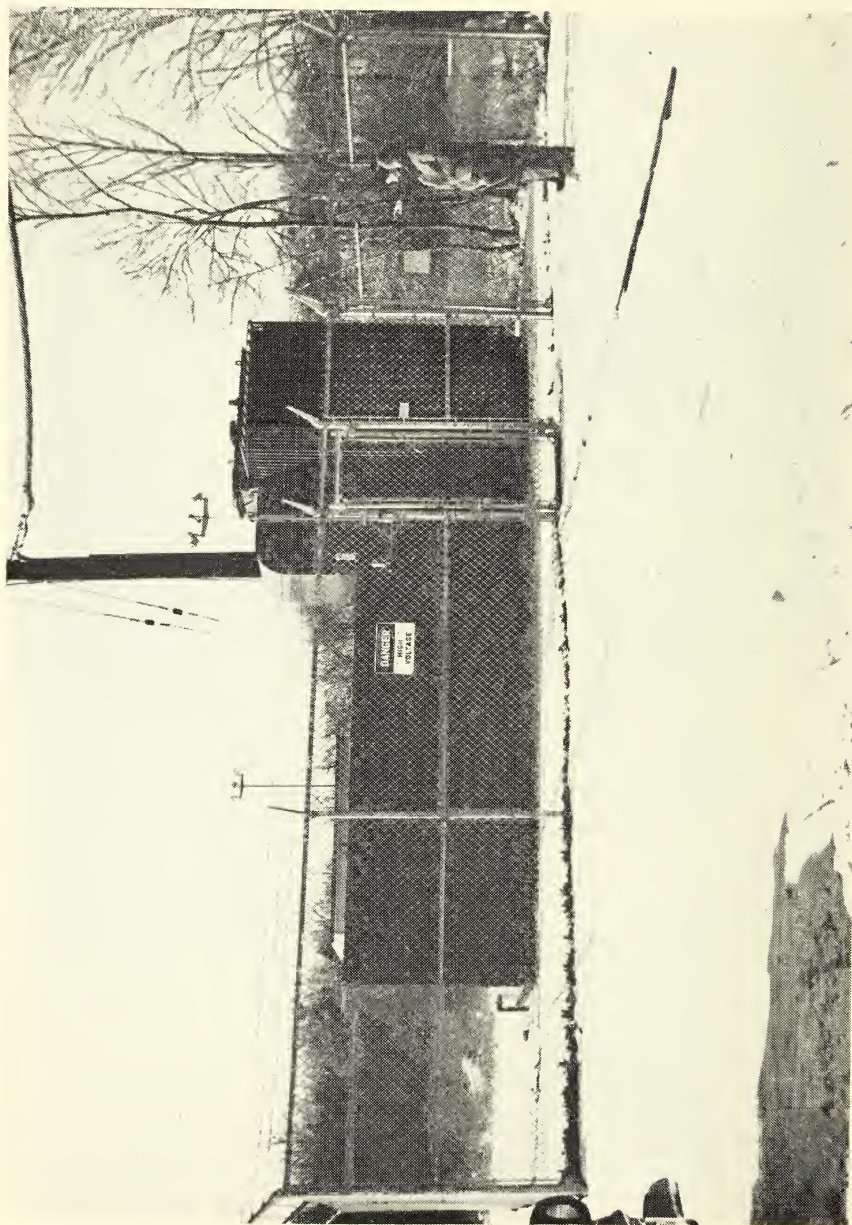
15000 VOLT FEEDER CUBICLE FOR 5000 KVA UNIT INSTALLED
AT ASH STREET STATION



5000 KVA TRANSFORMER INSTALLED AT ASH ST. STATION



METAL CLAD SWITCHGEAR FOR READING FEEDERS INSTALLED AT ASH ST. STATION



3000 KVA LOAD CENTER SUBSTATION INSTALLED IN WILMINGTON

CHARLES E. STANWOOD & COMPANY

Accountants and Auditors
16 Court Street
Boston, Massachusetts

February 1, 1954

To the Municipal Light Board
Town of Reading
Massachusetts

We have examined the accompanying balance sheet of the Municipal Light Department of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts, as at December 31, 1953, and related statements of income and profit and loss for the year then ended, and reviewed the system of internal control and accounting procedures and, without making a detailed audit of the transactions, have examined or tested accounting records of the Department and other supporting evidence, by methods and to the extent we deemed appropriate.

In our opinion said financial statements present fairly the position of the Municipal Light Department as at December 31, 1953 and the results of their operations for the year then ended, in conformity with the "Uniform System of Accounts for Municipal Lighting Plants" as prescribed by the Department of Public Utilities of Massachusetts.

CHARLES E. STANWOOD & COMPANY

REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

The report of the Manager as submitted by him with certificate of the auditor is hereby approved by the Municipal Light Board and constitutes its report to the Town.

ALFRED H. DOLBEN
FRANK D. TANNER
DONALD L. MILLER

Municipal Light Board

TOTAL COST OF PLANT as of December 31, 1953

Cost of Electric Plant:—

Cost of Land — 286 Ash Street	\$ 2,575.80
25 Haven Street	7,459.46
Wildwood St., Wilmington	700.00
Haverhill St., North Reading	3,219.19
Cost of Structures — 286 Ash Street	66,848.87
25 Haven Street	28,093.90
Cost of Transformer Station and Substation Equip.	389,904.20
Cost of Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors	1,017,251.29
Cost of Underground Conduits	129,520.74
Cost of Underground Conductors	226,795.47

Cost of Consumers Meters	121,223.94
Cost of Consumers Meter Installations	39,627.56
Cost of Line Transformers	139,872.46
Cost of Line Transformer Installations	9,098.56
Cost of Street Lighting Equipment	69,804.06
Total Cost of Electric Plant	\$2,251,995.50
Cost of General Equipment	32,854.70
Total Cost of Plant and General Equipment	\$2,284,850.20

SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

for the year ending December 31, 1953

REVENUES:

Residence Service	\$ 783,366.96
Commercial Service	149,092.96
Primary Power — Wholesale	64,211.79
Municipal Service	16,922.44
Sales to Private Companies and Municipal Plants	2,338.69
Street Lighting Service	38,300.54
Miscellaneous Income	6,580.25
Total Revenues	\$1,066,313.63

EXPENSES:

Production Expenses	\$ 595,219.82
Distribution Expenses	107,195.31
Utilization Expenses	15,557.42
Commercial Expenses	35,283.36
New Business Expenses	126.83
General Expenses	51,984.86
Depreciation Expenses	80,460.00
Interest on Bonds and Notes	5,093.23
Taxes — Personal Property Outside Towns	16,035.32
Uncollectible Operating Revenues	1,061.90
Interest on Consumers Deposits	502.03
Retirement Pensions	4,672.43
Bonds and Notes Paid	15,000.00
Total Expenses	\$ 928,192.51
Excess of Revenues over Expenses	\$ 128,121.12
Transfer to Town Treasurer	64,439.38
Net Increase of Profit and Loss Surplus	\$ 73,681.74

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

as of December 31, 1953

FIXED ASSETS:

Land	\$ 13,954.45
Structures	53,334.09
Trans. Sta. and Substa. Equipment	258,515.06
Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Cond.	510,253.31
Underground Conduits	82,550.45

Underground Conductors	155,369.87
Consumers Meters	60,635.47
Consumers Meter Installations	19,073.16
Line Transformers	87,992.92
Line Transformer Installations	4,391.16
Street Lighting Equipment	7,719.96
General Equipment	32,854.70
Unfinished Construction	36.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$1,286,680.60
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Construction Fund	\$ 130,817.28
Special Construction Fund — No. Reading	58,921.38
Depreciation Fund	4,461.10
Petty Cash	300.00
Consumers Deposit Fund	11,770.00
Accounts Receivable	99,825.60
Materials and Supplies	111,793.57
Total Current Assets	\$ 417,888.93
Prepaid Insurance	926.44
Totals	\$1,705,495.97

LIABILITIES:

Notes Payable	\$ 68,000.00
Bonds Payable	284,000.00
Accounts Payable	CR. 1,443.70
Consumers Deposits	11,770.00
Town Treasurer — Petty Cash Fund	300.00
Interest Accrued	2,552.25
Loans Repayment	679,578.26
Total Liabilities	\$1,044,756.81
Profit and Loss	660,739.16
Totals	\$1,705,495.97

NOTE: A contingent liability in the amount of \$15,408.58 existed as of December 31, 1953 on account of leases received from installment sales of electrical appliances and which were discounted with the Middlesex County National Bank of Reading.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
as of December 31, 1953

Balance January 1, 1953	\$ 587,773.34
Net Income — before Bond Payments	153,121.12
Miscellaneous Credits	2,350.00
Total Credits	\$ 743,244.46
Bonds and Notes Paid	\$ 15,000.00
Transferred to General Funds of the Town	64,439.38
Miscellaneous Debits	3,065.92
Total Debits	\$ 82,505.30
Balance December 31, 1953	\$ 660,739.16

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

January 14, 1954

To the Citizens of Reading

I submit my report as Tree Warden for the year 1953.

The department planted forty-six Norway Maples and one hundred and twenty-six Sugar Maples, a total of one hundred and seventy-two trees.

The past few summers have been unusually hot and dry. Due to other work, such as spraying and Dutch Elm removals, we were unable to water these trees as often as we should. Many public spirited citizens watered the trees near their homes and this was a great help in giving them a start.

The older trees are showing the effects of the 1938 hurricane. Forty-one trees were removed from the roadside. Seven of these trees were victims of Maple Wilt Disease, six were destroyed by leaking gas mains, two were removed after hearings and the remaining twenty-six were either dead or in dangerous conditions. These trees were in addition to ten elms removed by the Moth Department under the Dutch Elm Disease program.

Approximately five and one half weeks were spent on line clearance for which the Electric Light Department pays all the expense.

I wish to thank the other town departments and all others who have assisted me in the past year.

REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

I submit my report as Moth Superintendent for the year 1953.

The yearly check for Gypsy Moth egg clusters showed no heavy infestation, with the exception of North Main Street, which is under State supervision.

Two hundred and sixty elms were checked for Dutch Elm Disease. Cuttings from one hundred and thirty of these trees were sent to the Shade Tree Laboratory at Amherst to be cultured. Eighty-two trees were certified as having the disease. This is more than double the number infected in 1952. Two of these trees were on the State highway, twelve were on the roadside or other town property, and the remaining sixty-eight were on private property. All of these trees were removed and burned as soon as possible after they were certified.

The department purchased a 1949 Chevrolet, two ton platform truck, with the money appropriated for this purpose. With the addition of this truck, we were able to operate three spraying machines. Many sprays must be applied within a four or five day period to be effective. For example, the Birch Leaf Miner can only be controlled by spraying within a few days after the adult flies appear. Using three spraying machines we were able to get better control of this pest than in previous years. More spraying was done on private property than in any recent year.

I take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Electric Light Department and all others who have assisted me in the past year.

Respectfully yours,

MAURICE H. DONEGAN, Superintendent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS FOR THE YEAR 1953

Primarily the duty of the Board of Assessors is to find and value all taxable property within the Town of Reading and commit to the Collector for collection the taxes on said property.

In discharging this duty in the year 1953 we found and valued property as follows:

Valuation

Real Estate

Land, exclusive of buildings	\$ 4,317,950.00	
Buildings, exclusive of land	22,936,080.00	
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Total Value of Real Estate		\$27,254,030.00

Personal Property

Stock in Trade	171,083.00	
Machinery	119,570.00	
Live Stock	28,661.00	
All Other	996,706.00	
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Total Value of Personal Property		1,316,020.00
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Total Value of All Property		28,570,050.00

Appropriations

Since the date of setting the 1952 tax rate the Town appropriated the following sums of money in the following manner.

Voted Transfers from Available Funds	\$ 238,610.64	
Voted to Raise and appropriate	2,054,406.27	
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Total Appropriations \$2,293,016.91

Each year the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation certifies to the Assessors the amount that must be raised and included in the tax levy for the purpose of State and County Taxes, as provided in the Statutes.

Amount of State Tax	\$ 34,969.32	
Amount of County Tax	60,626.57	
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Total of State and County Tax		95,595.89
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Total Gross Appropriations		\$2,388,612.80

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Receipts

The Town receives amounts from various sources which are credited to the gross amount to reduce the tax rate. These credits are estimates based upon the receipts from the same sources in the previous year,

with the exception of the Income Corporation and Old Age Tax receipts, which figures are supplied to the Assessors by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation.

Receipts from the State and County

Income Tax	\$118,823.03
Corporation Taxes	80,586.62
Old Age Tax (Meals)	4,064.14

Total Receipts from State and County	\$203,473.79
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Estimated Receipts from other sources

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	\$109,000.00
Charities	20,500.00
Old Age	108,200.00
Water	135,000.00
Light	64,439.38
Sewer	17,000.00
Schools	49,629.02
All Other	48,356.77

Total Receipts from other sources	552,125.17
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Total Estimated Receipts	\$755,593.96
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Available Funds

Each year the Commissioner corrects his estimates of the previous year and certifies to us the amount he over or under estimated for the State and County Tax. In the year 1953 we have a credit of \$9,380.67 which was the amount over-estimated in 1952. This amount is treated as Available Funds

9,380.67

The transfers voted from Available Funds have already been appropriated in a previous tax levy, and whereas they appear in our total appropriations for the year, are treated the same as receipts. (See under Appropriations amount voted by Transfer.)

\$238,610.64

Total Est. Receipts and Available Funds	\$1,003,590.27
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Tax Rate

From the Total Appropriations	\$2,388,612.50
Deduct the Est. Receipts and Available Funds	1,003,590.27

Amount to be raised to satisfy Town Appropriation	1,385,022.53
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If no more than the above amount were raised there would be no fund available to take care of Abatements and Exemptions as provided by law. Therefore, the Assessors must raise an additional amount termed "Overlay" which shall not exceed 5% of the total amount to be

raised. For this purpose the Assessors set up for 1953 the amount of	53,375.97
Net amount to be raised by Taxation on Polls and Property	\$1,438,398.50
Less: 4948 Polls @ \$2.00	9,896.00

Net amt. to be raise by Property Taxation \$1,428,502.50
 The net amount to be raised by Property Tax-
 ation (\$1,428,502.50) divided by the Total Value
 of all Property (\$28,570,050.00) equals a tax
 rate of \$50.00 per thousand.

Net Amount Raised by Taxation on Polls and Property	
No. of Polls: 4948 @ \$2.00	\$ 9,896.00
Total Valuation Personal Property .. \$1,316,020.00 @ \$50.00	65,801.00
Total Valuation Real Estate 27,254,030.00 @ 50.00	1,362,701.50

Total Taxes Levied on Polls and Property \$1,438,398.50

In addition to the above taxes committed to the Collector,
 all Betterments originating in other Departments are
 committed to us for apportionment of payments and
 committed interest. Total commitments to the Collector
 for 1953 were as follows:

Real Estate Tax	\$1,362,751.50*
Personal Property Tax	65,961.00*
Poll Tax	9,900.00*
Excise Tax	118,262.51
Moth	737.50
Sidewalk and Curbing	1,639.22
House Connection	1,882.10
Sewer	3,165.25
Highway	8,018.41
Water Liens	898.65
	\$1,573,216.14

*Includes additional commitments since tax rate date

Real Estate	\$ 50.00
Personal	160.00
Poll	4.00

The operating cost for the past three years and the percentage of
 that cost to the total net cost of the Town Government is as follows:

Year	Operating Cost	% to Net
1951	\$10,695.00	.89
1952	10,645.00	.84
1953	11,653.00	.81

Respectfully submitted,
 HAROLD B. CURRELL
 RALPH T. HORN
 LEON G. BENT
 Board of Assessors

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES

For the Year ended December 31, 1953

Taxes and Assessments 1951

Uncollected December 31, 1952	\$ 12,525.14	
Interest and Costs Collected	853.73	
Paid Treasurer		\$ 12,995.64
Abatements		162.84
Tax Takings		220.39
Uncollected December 31, 195300
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	\$ 13,378.87	\$ 13,378.87

Taxes and Assessments 1952

Uncollected December 31, 1952	\$ 54,960.72	
Committed 1953	9,303.45	
Refunds	780.38	
Interests and Costs Collected	972.90	
Paid Treasurer		\$ 49,808.61
Abatements		2,533.58
Tax Takings		545.66
Uncollected December 31, 1953		13,129.60
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	\$ 66,017.45	\$ 66,017.45

Taxes and Assessments 1953

General Tax Warrant	\$1,573,216.14	
Refunds	10,053.90	
Interest and Costs Collected	639.10	
Paid Treasurer		\$1,491,562.00
Abatements		37,624.49
Tax Takings		892.92
Uncollected December 31, 1953		53,829.73
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	\$1,583,909.14	\$1,583,909.14

Sewer Rentals

Uncollected December 31, 1952	\$ 1,433.83	
Committed 1953	18,592.63	
Refunds	5.75	
Interest and Costs Collected	130.12	
Paid Treasurer		18,214.65
Abatements		102.70
Uncollected December 31, 1953		1,844.98
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	\$ 20,162.33	\$ 20,162.33

Highway Betterment

Uncollected December 31, 1952	\$	13,754.62	
Committed 1953		43,813.27	
Interest Collected		2.19	
Paid Treasurer	\$		2,617.32
Abatements			207.42
Betterment Apportioned			13,223.74
Uncollected December 31, 1953			41,521.60
	\$	57,570.08	\$ 57,570.08
Advance Payment Apportioned Highway	\$	3,147.73	
Interest Collected		18.78	
Paid Treasurer	\$		3,166.51
	\$	60,736.59	\$ 60,736.59

Sidewalk Betterment

Uncollected December 31, 1952	\$	2,638.55	
Committed 1953		2,641.66	
Interest Collected23	
Paid Treasurer	\$		1,005.66
Abatements			41.82
Betterment Apportioned			1,591.30
Uncollected December 31, 1953			2,641.66
	\$	5,280.44	\$ 5,280.44
Advance Payment Apportioned Sidewalk	\$	472.00	
Interest Collected		2.18	
Paid Treasurer	\$		474.18
	\$	5,574.62	\$ 5,754.62

Sewer Betterments

Uncollected December 31, 1952	\$	3,950.68	
Committed 1953		5,329.83	
Interest Collected57	
Paid Treasurer	\$		669.80
Abatements20
Betterment Apportioned			3,281.25
Uncollected December 31, 1953			5,329.83
	\$	9,281.08	\$ 9,281.08
Advance Payment Apportioned Sewer		398.78	
Interest Collected		3.18	
Paid Treasurer			401.96
	\$	9,683.04	\$ 9,683.04

Sewer House Connection

Uncollected December 31, 1952	\$	3,409.59
Committed 1953		3,406.79

Paid Treasurer	\$	761.78	
Betterment Apportioned		2,647.81	
Uncollected December 31, 1953		3,406.79	
	\$	6,816.38	\$ 6,816.38
Advance Payment Apportioned Sewer H. C.	\$	412.07	
Interest Collected		2.48	
Paid Treasurer			\$ 414.55
	\$	7,231.93	\$ 7,231.93

Moth Department

Committed 1953	\$	2,207.50	
Paid Treasurer			\$ 1,467.00
Abatements			3.00
Added to 1953 Real Estate Taxes			737.50
	\$	2,207.50	\$ 2,207.50

Departmental Accounts

Departmental Tree Work	\$	2,008.55	
Tuition		31,948.61	
Sewer House Connection Acct.		106.51	
Public Welfare		13,882.14	
Extra Work Private Property		247.20	
Old Age Assistance		109,703.79	
Snow Plowing		243.25	
Main Pipe Extension		5,818.00	
Miscellaneous Repairs		87.50	
Veterans Service		6,055.90	
Aid to Dependent Children		7,852.82	
Public Health		1,490.64	
Paid Treasurer			\$ 179,444.91
	\$	179,444.91	\$ 179,444.91

Water Rates and Miscellaneous

Uncollected December 31, 1952	\$	20,144.91	
Committed 1953		128,556.31	
Refunds		63.95	
Paid Treasurer			\$ 127,684.18
Abatements			216.23
Water Liens Added to Taxes			898.65
Uncollected December 31, 1953			19,966.11
	\$	148,765.17	\$ 148,765.17

Certificates

Certificates of Municipal Liens	\$	702.03	
Paid Treasurer			\$ 702.03
	\$	702.03	\$ 702.03

Recapitulation of Receipts

Taxes and Assessments	\$1,554,366.25	
Sewer Rentals	18,214.65	
Betterments	9,511.76	
Departmental Accounts	180,911.91	
Water Rates and Miscellaneous	127,684.18	
Certificates of Municipal Liens	702.03	
Paid Treasurer as per Treasurer's Receipts		\$1,891,390.78
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	\$1,891,390.78	\$1,891,390.78

WILLIAM E. MORRISON

Collector

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Year Ended December 31, 1953

The transactions in the General Cash Account, in summary form, were as follows:

Balance January 1, 1953	\$ 1,211,768.96
Receipts	9,393,914.22
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	\$10,605,683.18
Disbursements	9,326,109.70
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Balance December 31, 1953	\$ 1,279,573.48

Funded Debt

Outstanding January 1, 1953	\$ 3,190,000.00	
Bonds and notes issued in 1953	350,000.00	\$ 3,540,000.00
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Bonds and notes paid in 1953	\$ 199,000.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1953	3,341,000.00	\$ 3,540,000.00

The bonds issued in 1953 were as follows:

Project	Amount	Term	Rate	Interest
Sewer Loan	\$200,000.00	10 yrs.	2.4%	\$26,400.00
Light Loan	150,000.00	10 yrs.	2.4%	19,800.00

The sale prices, cost of the above loans, and the premiums realized on the sales, were as follows:

	Sale Price	Cost	Premium
Sewer Loan	100.1999	\$554.34	\$399.80
Light Loan	100.1999	415.77	299.85

During 1953 there were no temporary loans in anticipation of revenue.

A more detailed statement of receipts and disbursements, and a condensed version of my annual report of the trust funds of the Town, are presented in the report of the Town Accountant.

PRESTON F. NICHOLS

Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Receipts and Expenditures

for the year ended

December 31, 1953

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:					
Levy of 1952	62.73				12,726.55
Levy of 1953	3,631.78				23,854.87
			3,694.51		36,581.42
Special Assessments:					
Moth 1952	4.00				3,694.51
Moth 1953	42.00				55,565.01
			46.00		6,127.88
Sewer Unapportioned	5,329.83				1,773.52
Sewer 1952	35.56				2,833.23
Sewer 1953	191.69				20,360.21
Sewer Interest 1952	10.26				99,825.60
Sewer Interest 1953	45.69				
			5,613.03		
Sewer House Conn. Unappor.	3,406.79				21,490.23
Sewer House Conn. 1953	76.98				678.00
Sewer House Conn. Interest 1953	22.94				422,103.31
			3,506.71		
Sidewalk Unapportioned	2,641.66				
Sidewalk 1953	47.43				
Sidewalk Interest 1953	12.33				
			2,701.42		
Highway Unapportioned	41,521.60				
Highway 1952	37.72				
Highway 1953	218.99				
Highway Interest 1952	12.83				
Highway Interest 1953	61.73				
			41,852.87		
Sewer Rentals					
			1,844.98		

Overlay Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:					
Levy of 1952					12,726.55
Levy of 1953					23,854.87
			3,694.51		36,581.42
Revenue Reserved until Collected:					
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise					3,694.51
Special Assessments					55,565.01
Departmental					6,127.88
Tax Titles					1,773.52
Tax Possessions					2,833.23
Water Rates and Liens					20,360.21
Light Rates, etc.					99,825.60
Water Available Surplus					21,490.23
Sale of Real Estate Account					678.00
Surplus Revenue					422,103.31

Departmental:

Health	436.50	
Public Welfare	819.01	
A.D.C. From State	3,001.83	
O.A.A. — Other	964.69	
School Tuition	44.88	
Veterans' Aid From State	860.97	6,127.88
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Tax Titles		1,773.52
Tax Possessions		2,833.23

Water:

Rates, etc.	19,966.11	
Liens added to taxes 1952	239.95	
Liens added to taxes 1953	154.15	20,360.21

Light:

Rates, etc.	99,825.60	
Customers Deposits	11,770.00	111,595.60

Underestimates:

State Parks and Reservations	732.40	
County T.B. Hospital	3,506.30	4,238.70

\$1,013,303.33

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NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Cash	\$ 535,159.38	Sewer Constr., New High School	\$169,557.81
Portion of Loans Invested:		New High School Construction	706,365.37
New High School Loan	\$348,811.00	Library Addition Construction	178.17
Sewer Loan	129,548.90	Light Construction, Regular	130,817.28
Light Loan	74,739.75	Light Construction, Sub-Station	58,921.38
		Water Construction, Standpipe	22,419.02
Loans Authorized:		Loans Authorized Unissued	50,000.00
Light Constr. Sub-Station, 1952	50,000.00		
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	\$1,138,259.03		<hr/>
			\$1,138,259.03

DEFERRED ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Sewer Assts. not due	\$ 14,355.33	Appor. Sewer Assts. Rev. 1954-1962	\$ 14,355.33
Appor. Sewer H.C. Assts. not due	7,928.30	Appor. Sewer H.C. Assts. Rev. " "	7,928.30
Appor. Sidewalk Assts. not due	6,096.40	Appor. Sidewalk Assts. Rev. " "	6,096.40
Appor. Highway Assts. not due	38,780.65	Appor. Highway Assts. Rev. " "	38,780.65
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	\$ 67,160.68		\$ 67,160.68

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:		Inside Debt Limit:	
Inside Debt Limit	\$ 845,000.00	Sewer	\$ 20,000.00
Outside Debt Limit	2,496,000.00	Sewer	200,000.00
		School — Eaton	375,000.00
		School — New H.S.	190,000.00
		Library	60,000.00
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		Outside Debt Limit:	
		School — Pearl St.	25,000.00
		School — New H.S.	1,900,000.00
		Light	8,000.00
		Light	60,000.00
		Light	134,000.00

Light	1953	150,000.00
Water	1948	5,000.00
Water	1948	10,000.00
Water	1949	13,000.00
Water	1950	51,000.00
Water	1952	140,000.00
		<hr/> 2,496,000.00
		<hr/> \$3,341,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Cash and Securities		
		<hr/> \$3,341,000.00
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Parker Hospital Fund		\$225,452.92
Grouard Hospital Fund		90,024.77
Grant Swimming Pool Fund		35,609.96
R.H.S. Scholarship Fund		5,201.10
Public Library Fund		1,042.73
Wadlin Library Fund		1,777.52
Tuttle Library Fund		573.98
Appleton Library Fund		5,163.99
Torrey Library Fund		1,031.71
Post War Rehabilitation Fund		658.79
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund		148,425.15
Stabilization Fund		85,098.38
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		<hr/> \$600,061.00

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

Cash		
Investments		
Accrued Interest		
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		<hr/> \$277,289.47
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Annuity Savings Fund		\$176,726.20
Annuity Reserve Fund		35,605.14
Military Service Fund		3,133.96
Pension Fund		61,573.46
Expense Fund		250.71
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		<hr/> \$277,289.47

BOYD H. STEWART,
Town Accountant

CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF FUNDED DEBT

Due	SEWER		SCHOOLS		LIBRARY		LIGHT		WATER		TOTAL	
	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.
1954	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 5,070.00	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 54,962.50	\$10,000.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 6,870.25	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 3,582.50	\$ 228,000.00	\$ 71,235.25
1955	24,000.00	4,530.00	140,000.00	51,900.00	10,000.00	625.00	30,000.00	6,264.75	24,000.00	3,200.00	228,000.00	66,519.75
1956	24,000.00	3,990.00	140,000.00	48,837.50	10,000.00	500.00	29,000.00	5,659.25	23,000.00	2,817.50	226,000.00	61,804.25
1957	24,000.00	3,450.00	140,000.00	45,775.00	10,000.00	375.00	29,000.00	5,068.75	22,000.00	2,447.50	225,000.00	57,116.25
1958	24,000.00	2,910.00	140,000.00	42,712.50	10,000.00	250.00	29,000.00	4,478.25	22,000.00	2,095.00	225,000.00	52,445.75
1959	20,000.00	2,400.00	135,000.00	39,650.00	10,000.00	125.00	29,000.00	3,887.75	17,000.00	1,750.00	211,000.00	47,812.75
1960	20,000.00	1,920.00	135,000.00	36,675.00	10,000.00	125.00	28,000.00	3,297.25	17,000.00	1,487.50	200,000.00	43,379.75
1961	20,000.00	1,440.00	135,000.00	33,700.00	10,000.00	125.00	28,000.00	2,721.75	10,000.00	1,225.00	193,000.00	39,086.75
1962	20,000.00	960.00	135,000.00	30,725.00	10,000.00	125.00	27,000.00	2,146.25	10,000.00	1,050.00	192,000.00	34,881.25
1963	20,000.00	480.00	135,000.00	27,750.00	10,000.00	125.00	27,000.00	1,586.75	5,000.00	875.00	187,000.00	30,691.75
1964			135,000.00	24,775.00	12,000.00	125.00	12,000.00	1,027.25	5,000.00	787.50	152,000.00	26,589.75
1965			135,000.00	21,800.00	12,000.00	125.00	12,000.00	827.75	5,000.00	700.00	152,000.00	23,327.75
1966			135,000.00	18,825.00	7,000.00	125.00	7,000.00	672.00	5,000.00	612.50	147,000.00	20,109.50
1967			135,000.00	15,850.00	7,000.00	125.00	7,000.00	560.00	5,000.00	525.00	147,000.00	16,935.00
1968			135,000.00	12,875.00	7,000.00	125.00	7,000.00	448.00	5,000.00	437.50	147,000.00	13,760.50
1969			110,000.00	9,900.00	7,000.00	125.00	7,000.00	316.00	5,000.00	350.00	122,000.00	10,566.00
1970			110,000.00	7,425.00	7,000.00	125.00	7,000.00	204.00	5,000.00	262.50	122,000.00	7,891.50
1971			110,000.00	4,950.00	7,000.00	125.00	7,000.00	92.00	5,000.00	175.00	122,000.00	5,217.00
1972			110,000.00	2,475.00					5,000.00	87.50	115,000.00	2,562.50
Total	\$220,000.00	\$27,150.00	\$2,490,000.00	\$531,562.50	\$60,000.00	\$2,625.00	\$352,000.00	\$46,128.00	\$219,000.00	\$24,467.50	\$3,341,000.00	\$631,933.00

RECEIPTS FOR 1953

General Revenue

Taxes

Current Year:

Poll	\$	8,186.00	
Personal		62,249.10	
Real Estate	1,288,511.28	\$1,358,946.38	

Previous Years:

Poll	\$	22.00	
Personal		2,955.58	
Real Estate	43,919.31	\$	46,896.89

Tax Title Redemptions		\$	972.13
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From the State:

Corporation Tax	\$	79,372.87	
Income Tax			
Valuation		56,611.32	
Education	88,611.71	\$224,595.90	

Licenses

Board of Selectmen:

Amusement	\$	185.00	
Auctioneer		10.00	
Fire Arms		30.00	
Junk		20.00	
Lord's Day		85.00	
Peddler		2.00	
Second-hand Articles		6.00	
Second-hand Auto		90.00	
Taxicab		21.00	
Theater		5.00	
Trucking		57.00	
Victualer	75.00	\$	586.00

Board of Health:

Cesspool Pumping	\$	8.00	
Frozen Desserts		10.00	
Kindergarten		9.00	
Undertaker	8.00	\$	35.00

From the State:			
Peddlers		\$	80.00
Permits			
Building	\$	676.00	
Marriage		282.00	
Plumbing		645.50	
Revolver		103.50	\$ 1,707.00
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Fines, Court		\$	88.89
Grants and Gifts			
From the Federal Government:			
Old Age Assistance	\$	93,536.03	
Aid to Dependent Children		12,199.72	
Disability Assistance		6,788.54	
School Lunches		17,051.11	\$129,575.40 ←
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From the State:			
School Construction Aid	\$	12,629.02	
Meals Tax		5,004.79	
Paraplegics		933.35	\$ 18,567.16
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From the County:			
Dog Licenses		\$	2,226.16
New Parking Area Contribution		\$	500.00
Special Assessments			
Moth and Tree	\$	758.50	
Sewer		3,456.87	
Sewer House Connection		2,784.62	
Sidewalk		2,800.47	
Highway		11,909.29	\$ 21,709.75
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Privileges			
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise			\$119,439.19
Departmental — General Government			
Selectmen:			
Advertising Hearings	\$	33.34	
Sale of Books:			
Building Laws70	
Street Lists		426.30	
Valuation Lists		2.45	
Zoning Laws		9.75	
Treasurer		34.16	
Collector		1,499.91	

Town Clerk:

Mortgages	1,050.33	
Pole Locations	59.25	
Birth, Marriage and Death Certificates	163.28	
Dog License Fees	286.00	
Sporting License Fees	131.00	
Miscellaneous Certificates and Permits	118.70	
Board of Appeal Hearings	100.00	\$ 3,915.17

Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department:

Ambulance Fees	\$ 1,206.00
Bicycle Registrations	106.00
Radio Service to Wilmington	37.50
Miscellaneous	8.65

Fire Department:

Recharging Extinguishers	9.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	113.30	
Moth and Tree	3,475.55	\$ 4,956.00

Health and Sanitation

Tuberculosis, State Subsidy	\$ 567.50	
Tuberculosis, Other Towns	923.14	
Dental Clinic	511.25	
Inspector of Milk and Food	22.50	
Dog Clinic	237.50	
Sewer Rentals	18,078.78	
Sale of Books	1.00	\$ 20,341.67

Highways

State and County Joint Maint. Chapt. 90	\$ 2,000.00	
State and County Joint Constr. Chapt. 90	15,477.24	
Sidewalks, Granolithic Construction	247.20	
Snow and Ice Removal, State Reimbursement	243.25	
Road Machinery, Departmental Charges	20,801.63	\$ 38,769.32

Charities

Reimbursement for Relief:

From Cities and Towns	\$ 2,209.67
From the State	5,753.18

Reimbursement for A.D.C.:

From Individuals, Recovery	100.00
From the State	7,852.82

Reimbursement for O.A.A.:

From Individuals, Recovery	679.00	
From Cities and Towns	13,490.63	
From the State	96,223.46	
Reimbursement for Disability Assistance:		
From the State	5,908.99	\$132,217.75

Veterans Services

Reimbursement from the State:

Relief	\$ 5,905.90	
War Allowances	150.00	\$ 6,055.90

Schools

Voc. Tuition, State and City Wards	\$ 4,074.71	
Tuition, Other	27,276.20	
Transportation, Reimbursement from State	597.70	
Sale of Text Books and Supplies	601.49	
Cafeterias	52,067.55	
Athletics	4,911.28	\$ 89,528.93

Library

Fines	\$ 1,164.30	
Interest on Funds for New Books	209.20	\$ 1,373.50

Unclassified

From Light Dept. in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 64,439.38	
Fire and Damage Settlements	378.74	
Sale of Coal	1,036.89	
Reimbursement from Land Court	70.00	

Reimbursement for Insurance:

Sewer	1,106.40	
School	45.07	
Light	6,524.26	
Water	3,074.43	\$ 76,675.17

Public Service Enterprises

Light Department:

Sale of Light and Power	\$1,047,297.54	
Mdse. and Jobbing	85,688.28	
Miscellaneous (Refunds)	6,494.63	\$1,139,480.45

Water Department:			
Sale of Water	\$106,882.81		
Services, Repairs, etc.	20,737.42		
Liens added to Taxes	778.50		
Main Pipe Extension	5,905.50	\$134,304.23	
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Cemeteries			
Sale of Lots and Graves	\$ 2,005.00		
Care of Lots and Graves	5,658.38		
Care of Endowed Lots (Int. on Funds)	2,404.36	\$ 10,067.74	
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Interest			
On Sewer Rentals	\$ 24.17		
On Deferred Taxes	1,704.73		
On Special Assessments	2,939.93		
On Investment Funds	164.08		
On Public Trust Funds:			
Parker Hospital Fund	3,328.80		
Grouard Hospital Fund	2,081.30		
R.H.S. Scholarship Fund	132.50		
Torrey Library Fund	29.59		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	2,430.40		
On Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	62.63		
On Tax Title Redemptions	39.31		
On Invested Loans	28,161.92	\$ 41,099.36	
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Municipal Indebtedness			
Light, Sub-station Constr. Loan	\$150,000.00		
Sewer Constr. (New H.S.) Loan	200,000.00		
Premiums:			
Light Loan	299.85		
Sewer Loan	399.80	\$350,699.65	
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Agency, Trust and Investment			
Dog Licenses for County	\$ 3,112.00		
Sporting Licenses for State	1,608.50		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	5,005.00		
Withholding Taxes	139,987.15		
Blue Cross — Blue Shield	16,012.73		
Investment Funds Transactions	5,236,308.35	\$5,402,033.73	
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Refunds			
Departmental	\$ 5,370.51		
Taxes, Assts., Pub. Service Enterprises, etc.	11,099.29	\$ 16,469.80	
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Total		\$9,393,914.22	

CLASSIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES

1953

General Government

Selectmen

Personal Services

Clerical	\$ 1,189.40
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Expense

Reimbursement for Expenses	\$ 202.85	
Telephone	175.88	
Printing, Stationery and Forms	68.75	
Association Dues	66.00	
Advertising Warrants, Hearings, etc.	79.47	
Towels	13.25	
Annotated Laws	30.00	
Survey and Plans	87.36	
Machine Service	20.00	
Medical Examinations on Pensions	25.00	
Binding	24.00	
Supplies	46.02	
Extra Clerical	50.00	
Other	87.00	\$ 975.58

Accountant

Personal Services

Accountant	\$ 4,775.00	
Clerical	651.52	\$ 5,426.52

Expense

Postage and Stationery	\$ 12.00	
Printing and Supplies	332.22	
New Adding Machine	304.20	
Association Dues	34.00	
Machine Service and Maintenance	57.97	
Travel Expense	99.00	\$ 839.39

Treasurer

Personal Services

Treasurer	\$ 2,500.00	
Clerical	950.00	\$ 3,450.00

Expense

Postage	\$ 1,058.68
Stationery and Supplies	152.66
Telephone	109.60

Stencils and Filing Checks	138.44	
Machine Service	19.00	
Towels	8.40	
Sewer Loan Issuance Expense	154.54	
Other	16.82	\$ 1,658.14
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Collector		
Personal Services		
Collector	\$ 4,300.00	
Clerical	5,745.68	\$ 10,045.68
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Expense		
Books and Printing	\$ 794.35	
Telephone	86.28	
Supplies and Equipment	318.23	
Postage	746.16	
Other	90.26	\$ 2,035.28
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Assessors		
Personal Services		
Three Assessors	\$ 3,597.00	
Clerical	5,425.00	\$ 9,022.00
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Expense		
Meetings	\$ 42.84	
Auto Hire	74.50	
Telephone	119.66	
Supplies and Equipment	460.18	
Maps	1,028.75	
Printing and Forms	484.48	
Postage	136.50	
Registry of Deeds	207.76	
Other	81.90	\$ 2,636.57
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Town Counsel		
Personal Services		
Town Counsel		\$ 2,500.00
Expense		
Stenographic Services	\$ 960.00	
Court Costs and Witness Fees	13.10	
Telephone, Carfares, etc.	285.25	
Stationery and Supplies	148.85	
Decisions and Annotated Laws	45.00	
Examination of Titles and Records	44.00	\$ 1,496.20
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Town Clerk

Personal Services

Town Clerk	\$ 1,567.50	
Clerical	3,114.52	\$ 4,682.02
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Expense

Printing, Stationery and Supplies	\$ 340.53	
Postage	63.29	
Telephone	125.75	
Association Dues	17.50	
Advertising and Notices	25.50	
Meetings	88.08	
Machine Service	27.80	\$ 688.45
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Registration

Personal Services

Registrars	\$ 300.00	
Assistant Registrars	1,717.78	
Clerk to Registrars	200.00	
Clerical	83.60	\$ 2,301.38
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Expense

Printing, Supplies, etc.	\$ 146.77	
Postage	35.16	
Machine Service	5.50	\$ 187.43
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Election

Election Officers	\$ 607.13	
Hall Rent	75.00	
Installing Booths	150.00	
Lunches	49.72	
Printing Voters' Lists, Ballots, etc.	358.00	
Finance Committee Reports	190.50	
Advertising and Posting Warrants	223.85	
Supplies	24.95	
Other	6.00	\$ 1,685.15
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Board of Appeal

Clerical	\$ 143.13	
Postage and Supplies	5.19	
Advertising Hearings	109.80	\$ 258.12
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Planning Board

Supplies	\$ 1.70	
Dues	20.00	

Clerical	6.25		
Printing Map	535.80		
Advertising Hearings	114.75		
Attorney's Fee	250.00	\$	928.50
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Capital Expenditure Planning Committee			
Postage	\$ 6.00		
Printing Report	129.85	\$	135.85
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Finance Committee			
Association Meetings and Dues	\$ 34.40		
Stationery and Supplies	12.00		
Printing	5.00	\$	51.40
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Personnel Board			
Stationery and Supplies		\$	12.25
Municipal Building Maintenance			
Janitor	\$ 3,128.00		
Fuel	712.13		
Gas and Light	523.60		
Water and Sewer	72.92		
Rubbish Removal	79.00		
Supplies	477.13		
Summer Janitor	40.00		
Repairs to Building and Grounds	814.01		
Furniture, Equipment and Painting	1,222.54	\$	7,069.33
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Total General Government		\$	59,274.64

Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department

Personal Services

Chief and Keeper of the Lockup	\$ 4,313.46		
Sergeants	10,496.28		
Patrolmen	60,251.66		
Special Work	266.99		
Clerk	2,118.98	\$	77,447.37
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Dept. Maintenance

Traffic Officers' Uniforms	\$ 101.50		
Chief's Expense	165.13		
Gasoline Expense	2,114.90		
Radio Repairs	390.73		
Station Signals	34.06		

Police School	300.00	
Bicycle Expense	26.56	
Revolver Permits	23.50	
Traffic Lights	832.52	
Traffic Lanes	1,738.89	
Printing and Stationery	450.43	
Police Reserves	145.85	
Automobile Repairs	572.11	
New Tires	353.00	
Telephone Expense	677.65	
Washing Cars	143.50	
Chains and Alcohol	29.88	
Oil and Grease	94.75	
Coats and Caps	459.98	
New Batteries	39.99	
New Revolvers	299.99	
Target Practice	184.58	
Gamewell System	104.90	
All Others	535.81	\$ 9,820.21

Station Maintenance Expense

Water and Sewer	\$ 25.20	
Gas and Electricity	313.21	
Fuel	672.42	
Repairs	532.39	
Jantior's Supplies	64.03	
Janitor's Salary	1,232.10	
Laundry	70.46	\$ 2,909.81
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Pensions		\$ 9,888.36
New Uniforms		1,390.35
Two New Cruising Cars		1,000.00
Relocating Traffic Signal Box		1,300.00

Fire Department

Personal Services

Chief	\$ 4,687.50	
Deputy Chief	4,027.00	
Captain	3,870.75	
Lieutenants	7,541.50	
Privates	45,644.08	
Call Men	5,182.25	\$ 70,953.08
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Department Maintenance Expense

Chief's Expense	\$ 65.00	
Telephone	379.69	
Laundry	421.55	
Bedding, etc.	94.17	
Motor Apparatus Maintenance	2,777.61	

Gasoline and Oil	782.32	
Repairs other Equipment	79.64	
New Hose	446.87	
New Appliances	521.63	
Equipment and Supplies	1,009.08	
Equipment for Men	559.99	
Forest Fires	388.03	
Forest Fire Patrol	104.00	
Office Expenses	257.73	
Salary of Dispatcher	300.00	
All Others	674.99	\$ 8,862.30

Stations Maintenance Expense

Central Station

Gas	\$ 96.01	
Fuel	696.13	
Building Repairs	532.49	
Lighting	166.67	
Water and Sewer	111.22	
Supplies	426.17	
Furnishings	393.81	\$ 2,422.50

Station No. 2, Woburn Street

Gas	\$ 11.78	
Fuel	361.83	
Building Repairs	26.00	
Lighting	58.20	
Water and Sewer	14.00	
Supplies	50.53	
Salary of Steward	300.00	\$ 822.34

Pension	\$ 1,375.00
New Uniforms	272.01
New Chassis for Engine 4	177.87
Two Walkie-Talkie Radios	547.70

Fire Alarm Maintenance

Salary of Supt.	\$ 350.00	
Payrolls	1,290.70	
Truck Maintenance	138.50	
Power (For F.A. and Police Signal System)	51.12	
Material, Supplies and Equipment	847.67	
Radio Maintenance	151.00	
Battery Room	29.28	
All Others	101.52	\$ 2,959.79

Fire Alarm Extension			
Pay Rolls	\$	482.20	
Materials, Supplies and Equipment		534.85	\$ 1,017.05
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Hydrant Rentals			5,000.00
Drinking Fountains			100.00
Moth and Tree Dept.			
Personal Services			
Tree Warden	\$	420.00	
Supt.		4,155.00	
Laborers and Climbers		13,702.89	\$ 18,277.89
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Expense			
Fuel, Light, Water and Sewer	\$	73.09	
Printing and Advertising		61.75	
Telephone		205.24	
Clerical		8.00	
Supplies		120.96	
Truck and Sprayer Expense		1,849.18	
Trees		600.00	
Lead		1,440.00	
Insecticides		421.35	
Car Expense		249.75	
Other		160.29	\$ 5,189.61
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Town Forest			335.82
Helicopter Spraying			2,700.00
Second-hand Truck Purchase			1,399.98
Inspector of Buildings			
Salary			\$ 3,700.00
Expense			
Car	\$	200.00	
Telephone		86.98	
Dues and Subscriptions		7.00	
Printing and Supplies		32.85	\$ 326.83
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Inspector of Wires			
Salary			\$ 500.00
Expense			
Car	\$	139.70	
Supplies and Equipment		36.10	
Dues		2.00	\$ 177.80

Sealer of Weights and Measures			
Salary		\$	650.00
Expense			
Car	\$	188.00	
Supplies		33.32	\$ 221.32
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Game Warden's Salary		\$	105.00
Dog Officer			
Salary		\$	375.00
Expense			
Car	\$	89.25	
Telephone		170.38	
Light		9.00	
Fuel		64.81	
Supplies		44.73	
Other		18.07	\$ 396.24
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Traffic Control — Schools		\$	1,669.50
Civil Defense			560.33
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Total Protection of Persons and Property			\$234,851.06

Health and Sanitation

Board of Health

Personal Services

Two Doctors	\$	250.00	
Clerk		1,206.00	
Health Agent		587.50	
Plumbing Inspector		1,299.50	\$ 3,343.00
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Expense

Telephone	\$	134.65	
Supplies		47.67	
Printing		17.75	
Disposal of Animals		174.50	
Car		200.00	
Painting Office		40.00	
Clerical, extra		56.25	
Machine Service and Maintenance		27.50	
Other		38.81	\$ 737.13
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Inspector of Animals		\$	220.00
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Inspector of Milk and Food

Salary	\$	350.00	
Expense		50.00	\$ 400.00
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Care of Contagious Diseases		\$ 3,473.52	
Garbage Collection		6,500.00	
Dental Clinic			
Personal Services			
Dentists	\$ 1,740.00		
Nurse	736.03	\$ 2,476.03	
Expense			
Dental Supplies	\$ 303.31		
Car	65.00		
Printing	3.75	\$ 372.06	
Child Welfare			
Doctor	\$ 200.00		
Reading Visiting Nurse Assn.	300.00	\$ 500.00	
Total Health and Sanitation		\$ 18,021.74	

Public Works

Administrative			
Pay Roll	\$ 8,320.00		
Expense			
Telephone	487.64		
Supplies	1,686.72	\$ 10,494.36	
Engineering Division			
Pay Roll	\$ 14,938.10		
Expenses	1,979.91	\$ 16,918.01	
Consulting Engineers			
Expenses	\$ 4,062.50	\$ 4,062.50	
Highway Department			
Pay Roll	\$ 49,999.25		
Expense			
Machinery Rental	4,888.78		
Lights	170.42		
Phone	304.94		
Supplies	4,668.03		
Fuel Oil	1,274.60		
Curbing	2,014.80		
Sand, Gravel, Stone	3,626.07		

Fine Patch	3,446.23	
Asphalt	7,573.42	
Hired Equipment	5,104.05	
Express, Freight	78.43	
Other	141.03	\$ 83,290.05
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Chapter 90 Constr. Charles St. — 1951		
Pay Roll	\$ 475.46	
Expense		
Hired Equipment	472.50	
Machinery Rental	89.50	
Supplies	914.92	
Contract Payment	2,919.84	\$ 4,872.22
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Chapter 90 Constr. Charles St. — 1952		
Pay Roll	\$ 1,185.13	
Expense		
Hired Equipment	863.50	
Machinery Rental	97.75	
Supplies	390.10	
Contract Payment	2,313.49	\$ 4,849.97
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Chapter 90 Constr. Charles St. — 1953		
Pay Roll	\$ 567.15	
Expense		
Hired Equipment	48.00	
Machinery Rental	52.35	
Manhole Covers, Frames	722.50	
Advertising	28.65	
Contract Payment	14,306.94	\$ 15,725.59
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Chapter 90 Maintenance		
Pay Roll	\$ 897.77	
Expense		
Machinery Rental	242.50	
Road Oil	1,110.05	
Hired Equipment	288.00	
Sand, Stone	364.66	
Supplies	2.02	
Guard Rail	95.00	\$ 3,000.00
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Snow and Ice Removal		
Pay Roll	\$ 14,890.57	

Expense		
Machinery Rental	1,763.40	
Plowing	4,962.34	
Supplies and Tools	5,257.79	
Calc. Chloride, Salt	967.50	
Sand	1,671.95	
New Equipment	1,341.45	\$ 30,855.00
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Maintenance Storm Drains		
Pay Roll	\$ 6,500.00	
Expense		
Supplies	32.31	
Machinery Rental	472.38	
Hired Equipment	3,110.00	
Grates and Frames	85.00	\$ 10,199.69
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Drainage Construction		
Pay Roll	\$ 11,470.03	
Expense		
Supplies and Tools	3,181.02	
Pipe	4,324.84	
Manhole Covers, Frames	1,955.00	
Machinery Rental	2,121.02	
Hired Equipment	1,412.50	\$ 24,464.41
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Sidewalk Maintenance and Construction		
Pay Roll	\$ 12,800.00	
Expense		
Supplies	3,879.09	
Sand and Gravel	242.81	
Stonedust	434.08	
Machinery Rental	793.25	
Hired Equipment	642.00	\$ 18,791.23
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Sewer Maintenance and Operation		
Pay Roll	\$ 12,881.77	
Expense		
Supplies and Pipe	5,520.31	
Oil, Light and Misc.	189.62	
Tarvia	694.15	
Manhole Covers and Frames	510.00	
Gravel	312.83	
Hired Equipment	1,055.00	

Machinery Rental	2,017.26		
Insurance	1,106.40		
Interest on Bonds	360.00	\$	24,647.34
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Sewer House Connection			
Pay Roll	\$	5,481.30	
Expense			
Hired Equipment		46.00	
Supplies		1,717.99	
Pipe		458.70	
Machinery Rental		941.28	\$ 8,645.27
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John Street Dump			
Pay Roll	\$	4,600.00	
Expense			
Tar Mix		55.00	
Machinery Rental		145.00	\$ 4,800.00
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Park Department			
Memorial Park			
Pay Roll	\$	4,079.97	
Supplies		1,658.53	
Hired Equipment		48.00	\$ 5,786.50
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Leach Park			
Pay Roll	\$	337.59	\$ 337.59
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Sturges			
Pay Roll	\$	876.29	
Lights and Supplies		97.75	\$ 974.04
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Commons			
Pay Roll	\$	553.35	
Lights and Supplies		81.77	\$ 635.12
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Washington St.			
Pay Roll	\$	2,490.56	
Supplies		461.19	
Hired Equipment		336.39	\$ 3,288.14
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Birch Meadow			
Pay Roll	\$	2,493.23	
Lights and Supplies		505.27	\$ 2,998.50
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Little League			
Pay Roll	\$	43.40	
Supplies		14.40	\$ 57.80
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Miscellaneous			
Pay Roll	\$	524.86	
Supplies		384.99	
Machinery Rental		1,341.02	
Hired Equipment		15.00	\$ 2,265.87
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Water Department			
Office Salaries	\$	5,781.09	
Office Supplies		854.81	
Road Machinery Fund		6,011.27	
Phone and Miscellaneous		445.99	
Bonds and Interest		29,992.50	
Insurance		2,598.97	
Water Works Convention		155.60	\$ 45,840.23
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Pumping Station			
Pay Roll	\$	4,811.28	
Phone		122.35	
Light and Power		8,792.10	
Express		12.46	
Supplies		1,023.88	
Fuel Oil		269.40	
Insurance		456.21	
Weston and Sampson		150.00	\$ 15,637.68
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Filtration Plant			
Pay Roll	\$	1,013.25	
Supplies		99.13	
Engr. Services		123.05	\$ 1,235.43
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Wells			
Pay Roll	\$	1,009.33	
Supplies		6.96	\$ 1,016.29
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Garage			
Lights	\$	29.40	
Phone		36.00	

Fuel Oil	589.87		
Supplies	95.05	\$	750.32
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Meter Maintenance			
Pay Roll	\$ 5,842.43		
Supplies and Fittings	1,161.03		
Express, Freight	7.36		
New Meters	2,857.25	\$	9,868.07
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Service Pipe Maintenance			
Pay Roll	\$ 18,558.80		
Supplies	2,323.16		
Express	22.46		
Range Oil	14.18	\$	20,918.60
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Main Pipe Maintenance			
Pay Roll	\$ 1,215.37		
Supplies	288.15	\$	1,503.52
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Service Pipe Construction			
Pay Roll	\$ 4,261.37		
Supplies	6,263.20		
Pipe	5,493.84		
Express	5.79		
Hired Equipment	815.00	\$	16,839.20
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Main Pipe Construction			
Pay Roll	\$ 3,125.23		
Supplies	2,595.06		
Pipe	2,826.55		
Express, Freight	3.53		
Hired Equipment	22.50	\$	8,572.87
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Hydrant Maintenance and Construction			
Pay Roll	\$ 950.59		
Supplies	388.42		
New Hydrants	625.60	\$	1,964.61
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Miscellaneous			
Pay Roll	\$ 7,880.32		
Supplies	363.71		
Express, Freight	14.04	\$	8,258.07
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Street Betterments		\$	6,393.19

Street Lighting		17,000.00	
Pensions		8,101.08	
Mineral Street Bridge Resurfacing			
Pay Roll	\$	706.53	
Expense			
Contract Payment		1,075.39	
Supplies		25.31	
Machinery Rental		21.25	
Lights		3.42	
Express		3.74	\$ 1,835.64
Parking Area No. 1, Cleaning			
Pay Roll	\$	400.00	
Expense			
Machinery Rental		80.00	\$ 480.00
Resurfacing Streets			
Pay Roll	\$	67.91	
Expense			
Resurfacing		2,133.53	
Machinery Rental		2.50	
Supplies		61.20	\$ 2,265.14
New High School — Access Roads			
Expense			
Contract Payment	\$	17,338.17	
Supplies		32.76	
Advertising		102.90	
Engineer Services		5,021.76	\$ 22,495.59
Road Machinery Operating Account			
Water	\$	3,187.20	
Highway		7,146.15	
Sewer		1,560.18	
Drainage		802.34	
Snow and Ice		2,646.50	
Parks		595.68	
Maint. Storm Drains		204.87	
Street Betterments		292.06	
Chapter 90 Construction		80.78	
Dump		160.42	
Engineering Division		205.06	
Chapter 90 Maint.		101.01	
New Equipment		22,547.20	\$ 39,529.45
Total Public Works			\$512,464.18

Charities and Aids

General Aid Administrative

Personal Services	\$ 5,524.63	
Expense:		
Travel	\$ 31.08	
Office Supplies	59.55	
Telephone	105.63	
Printing and postage	32.60	
Office equipment	29.28	
Gasoline and oil	23.82	
Station wagon maintenance	45.38	
Office building maintenance	235.75	
Other	17.62	
		\$ 6,105.34

General Aid

Cash Aid	\$ 12,951.30
Shelter	100.00
Fuel and Light	273.87
Board, including nursing homes	1,787.50
Tewksbury State Hospital and Infirmary	1,202.65
Division of Child Guardianship	313.53

Medical:

Doctors	\$ 594.50	
Hospitals	1,897.75	
Medicine	341.43	
Optical	47.00	
Dental	124.00	
Ear Phone	16.75	
Police Ambulance	20.00	
Burials	\$ 150.00	
Payments to other cities and towns	1,305.58	
Unallocated	11.76	\$ 21,137.62

Aid to Dependent Children Administrative

Personal Services	\$ 2,258.48	
Travel expense	9.09	
Office Supplies	21.79	
Telephone	39.83	
Printing and postage	8.10	
Office equipment	12.76	
Gasoline and oil	9.74	
Station wagon maintenance	14.03	
Office building maintenance	94.82	
Other	5.88	\$ 2,474.52

Aid to Dependent Children

Regular Cash Assistance	\$ 23,527.95
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Special cash allowances

Medical:

Doctors	\$	406.00	
Hospitals		82.00	
Medicine		177.81	
Optical		28.00	
Dental		547.50	
Oil Burner		180.00	
Boiler Repair		105.00	\$ 25,054.26

Disability Assistance Administrative

Personal services	\$	1,424.76	
Travel Expense		5.82	
Office supplies		16.77	
Telephone		30.59	
Printing and postage		6.30	
Office equipment		12.76	
Gasoline and oil		6.18	
Station wagon maintenance		12.97	
Office building maintenance		59.85	
Other		5.88	\$ 1,581.88

Disability Assistance

Regular Cash Assistance	\$	8,266.63	
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Special cash allowances:

Board, including nursing homes	2,163.37	
Tewksbury State Hospital and Infirmary	624.78	

Medical:

Doctors	\$	267.00	
Hospitals		1,855.65	
Medicine		475.30	
Optical		4.00	
Police Ambulance		21.00	
Nursing		231.00	\$ 13,908.73

Old Age Assistance Administrative

Personal services	\$	12,415.76	
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Expense:

Building maintenance	\$	381.97	
Office Supplies and Equipment		149.10	
Travel expense		266.36	
Stationery and printing		97.54	
Postage		69.00	
Telephone		176.24	
Other		33.37	\$ 13,589.34

Old Age Assistance		
Regular Cash Assistance	\$192,939.85	
Special Cash Allowances		
Medical:		
Doctors	\$ 6,645.50	
Hospitals	3,271.80	
Medicine	5,692.03	
Optical	506.75	
Dental	620.00	
Nursing	554.50	
Chiropodists	266.00	
Police Ambulance	92.00	
Other	47.45	
Payment acct. deceased persons:		
Medical:		
Doctors	\$ 463.50	
Hospitals	168.00	
Medicine	162.67	
Nursing	136.80	
Chiropedists	9.00	
Police Ambulance	54.00	
Burials	600.00	
Payments to other cities and towns	5,043.73	\$217,273.58
Total Charities and Aid		\$301,125.27

Veterans' Benefits

Administrative:		
Personal Services		
Agent	\$ 1,200.00	
Clerk	434.70	
Expense		
Car	\$ 233.30	
Telephone	207.99	
Supplies	31.65	
Other	51.35	\$ 2,158.99
Aid		
Cash Assistance	\$ 9,247.50	
Food	45.00	
Fuel	985.49	
Medicine	407.39	
Hospital and Doctors	1,146.00	
Other	758.12	\$ 12,589.50
Total Veterans' Benefits		\$ 14,748.49

Schools

Salaries:

Supt., Clerks and Enf. of Law	\$ 28,282.81	
Supervisors	13,980.51	
Principals	24,604.22	
Teachers	402,478.98	
Janitors and Matrons	51,808.47	
Health	7,964.92	
	<hr/>	\$529,119.91

Maintenance:

Supt. Office Expense	\$ 1,022.83	
Research and Professional Study	278.20	
Printing	361.42	
Travel Expenses	466.41	
Prin. Office Expense	705.38	
Telephone	2,572.99	
Travel Expense — Enf. of Law	156.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,563.23

Instruction:

Travel Expense of Supervisors	\$ 660.41	
Textbooks and Supplementary Books	7,149.68	
Supplies — Schools	11,267.48	
Supplies — Shop	1,522.13	
Supplies — Domestic Science	450.43	
Film	598.93	
Physical Ed Equipment	841.80	
Tests	1,006.81	
Instructional Apparatus	5,205.04	
Express Charges	294.66	
	<hr/>	\$ 28,997.37

Operation of Plant:

Fuel	\$ 13,014.24	
Water and Sewer	1,654.74	
Electricity	5,627.44	
Gas	76.05	
Laundry and Summer Cleaning	442.50	
Ash Removal	336.29	
Exp. of Supt. of Blds. and Grounds	594.63	
Janitors Supplies	7,617.95	
	<hr/>	\$ 29,363.84

Maintenance of Plant:		
Grounds	\$ 2,123.27	
Buildings	18,463.76	
Service System	460.74	
Plumbing and Heating	9,836.39	
Furniture Repair	152.09	
	<hr/>	\$ 31,036.25
Auxiliary Agencies:		
Library	\$ 2,063.52	
Health Expenses	355.09	
Commencement	318.92	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,737.53
Capital Outlay:		
New Equipment and Furniture	\$ 7,732.46	
Fire Escape — Prospect Street School	1,163.90	
	<hr/>	\$ 8,896.36
Transportation		\$ 18,959.75
Vocational Tuition		2,968.97
Athletic Account		9,146.10
Cafeteria Account		68,630.25
Teachers' Retirement		480.76
School Land Purchase Birch Meadow		1,700.00
School Land Purchase Tower Road		5,000.00
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Total Schools		742,600.32

Library

Personal Services		
Librarians	\$ 6,334.04	
Clerical	2,941.18	
Janitor	2,560.00	\$ 11,835.22
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Expense		
Fuel	\$ 730.15	
Gas and Light	80.65	
Water and Sewer	38.40	
Telephone	156.90	
Printing and Supplies	446.68	
Building Maintenance	281.02	
Books and Periodicals	3,818.91	
Binding	314.06	
Service Contracts	209.20	
Other	55.98	\$ 6,131.95
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Total Library		\$ 17,967.17

Unclassified

As in Appropriation and Expenditure Schedule \$109,012.32

Light Department

Maintenance, Operation and Depreciation \$1,129,898.31

Cemeteries

Personal Services

Superintendent	\$ 4,376.60	
Clerk	1,293.20	
Labor	15,391.92	\$ 21,061.72

Expense

Office Maintenance and Supplies	\$ 331.59	
Office Equipment	528.85	
Shop Maintenance	272.17	
Trucks and Tools Maintenance	1,455.25	
New Tools and Equipment	1,139.55	
Fert., Seed, Loam, Cement, Water, etc.	464.85	
Spraying Elm Trees	27.50	
Vandalism	16.41	
Flowers for Perpetual & Annual Care Lots	95.50	
Grave Liners	879.85	
Repairs at Forest Glen House	18.00	
Patching Roads	69.00	
Cemetery Development & Improvements	1,002.32	\$ 6,300.84

Care of Soldiers' Graves		\$ 1,173.16
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Total Cemeteries \$ 28,535.72

Municipal Indebtedness

Interest:

School Loan, Pearl St.	\$ 525.00	
School Loan, Eaton	8,000.00	
School Loan, New High School	49,500.00	
Library Addition Loan	875.00	\$ 58,900.00

Maturing Debt:

Sewer Loan	\$ 8,000.00	
School Loan, Pearl St.	5,000.00	
School Loan, Eaton	25,000.00	
School Loan, New High School	110,000.00	
Library Addition	10,000.00	\$158,000.00

\$216,900.00

Agency, Trust and Investment

As in Appropriation and Expenditure Schedule

\$328,849.16

Non-Revenue Accounts

New High School Construction	\$1,392,513.62
New High School Sewer Constr.	60,442.19
Light Construction, Regular	23,227.69
Light Construction, Wilmington	1,632.71
Light Construction, North Reading	20,712.42
Water Construction, Standpipe	116,696.89
Water Construction, Wells	109.92

Portion of Loans Invested:

New High School Construction	\$3,542,031.73	
New High School Sewer Constr.	288,688.10	
Light, Sub-station Constr.	149,336.25	\$5,595,391.52

Refunds

Taxes, Assessments, Public Service Enterprise	\$ 11,099.29	
Departmental	5,370.51	\$ 16,469.80

Total Expenditures in 1953		\$9,326,109.70
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APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Balance from 1952	Appropriated 1953	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance Dec. 31
General Government						
Selectmen's Clerical		\$ 1,210.00			\$ 1,189.40	\$ 20.60
Selectmen's Expense		1,500.00			975.58	524.42
Town Accountant's Salary		4,775.00			4,775.00	
Town Accountant's Clerical		651.52			651.52	
Town Accountant's Expense		850.00			839.39	10.61
Treasurer's Salary		2,500.00			2,500.00	
Treasurer's Clerical		950.00			950.00	
Treasurer's Expense		1,100.00	\$ 654.54		1,658.14	96.40
Collector's Salary		4,300.00			4,300.00	
Collector's Clerical		5,754.00			5,745.68	8.32
Collector's Expense		2,000.00	50.00		2,035.28	14.72
Assessors' Salaries		3,597.00			3,597.00	
Assessors' Clerical		5,571.75			5,425.00	146.75
Assessors' Expense		2,790.00			2,636.57	153.43
Town Counsel's Salary		2,500.00			2,500.00	
Town Counsel's Expense		1,500.00			1,496.20	3.80
Town Clerk's Salary		1,567.50			1,567.50	
Town Clerk's Clerical		3,372.44			3,114.52	257.92
Town Clerk's Expense		700.00			688.45	11.55
Registrars' Salaries		500.00			500.00	
Registrars' Expense		2,000.00			1,988.81	11.19
Election and Registration Expense		2,000.00			1,685.15	314.85
Board of Appeal Expense		350.00			258.12	91.88
Capital Exp. Planning Com. Exp.		300.00			135.85	164.15

	Balance from 1952	Appropriated 1953	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance Dec. 31
Planning Board Expense		735.00	250.00		928.50	56.50
Finance Committee Expense		100.00			51.40	48.60
Personnel Board Expense		50.00			12.25	37.75
Municipal Building Janitor		3,128.00			3,128.00	
Municipal Building Maintenance		3,450.00	500.00		3,941.33	8.67
		<u>\$ 59,802.21</u>	<u>\$ 1,454.54</u>		<u>\$ 59,274.64</u>	<u>\$ 1,982.11</u>
Protection of Persons and Property						
Police Dept. Salaries		\$ 81,239.51			\$ 77,447.37	\$ 3,792.14
Police Dept. Pensions		9,868.36	\$ 20.00		9,888.36	
Police Dept. Maintenance		9,735.00	85.96		9,820.21	.75
Police Station Maintenance		3,050.00			2,909.81	140.19
New Cruising Car No. 1, Art. 8		500.00			500.00	
New Cruising Car No. 2, Art. 9		500.00			500.00	
New Uniforms for Policemen	\$ 402.50	1,250.00			1,390.35	262.15
Relocating Traffic Signal Box, Art. 10		1,300.00			1,300.00	
Fire Dept. Salaries		65,773.75			65,770.83	2.92
Fire Dept. Callmen Salaries		5,700.00			5,182.25	517.75
Fire Dept. Pensions		1,375.00			1,375.00	
Fire Dept. Maintenance		8,885.00			8,862.30	22.70
Fire Stations Maintenance		3,245.00			3,244.84	.16
Fire Alarm Maintenance		2,960.00	67.65		3,027.44	.21
Fire Alarm Extension		1,600.00		\$ 67.65	949.40	582.95
New Chassis for Engine 4	177.87				177.87	
Two Walkie-Talkie Radios, Art. 14		550.00			547.70	2.30
New Uniforms for Firemen	125.00	525.00			272.01	377.99

Moth and Tree Dept. Salaries	18,781.40	18,277.89	503.51
Moth and Tree Dept. Maintenance	5,190.00	5,189.61	.39
Town Forest, Art. 17	500.00	335.82	291.62
Helicopter Spraying, Art. 15	2,700.00	2,700.00	
Second-Hand Truck Purchase, Art. 16	1,400.00	1,399.98	.02
Mosquito Control, Art. 18	600.00		600.00
Hydrant Rentals	5,000.00		
Drinking Fountains	100.00		
Inspector of Buildings Salary	3,700.00		
Inspector of Buildings Expense	365.00		38.17
Inspector of Wires Salary	500.00		
Inspector of Wires Expense	200.00		22.20
Sealer of Wts. and Measures Salary	650.00		
Sealer of Wts. and Measures Expense	250.00		28.68
Dog Officer's Salary	375.00		
Dog Officer's Expense	400.00		3.76
Game Warden's Salary	105.00		
Traffic Control	2,200.00	1,669.50	530.50
Civil Defense	5,063.55	560.33	4,503.22
	\$ 5,896.36	\$ 67.65	\$ 12,224.28

Health and Sanitation

Board of Health Salaries	\$ 1,456.00	\$ 1,456.00	
Board of Health Expense	650.00	737.13	12.87
Health Officer's Salary	587.50	587.50	
Inspector of Plumbing Salary	1,299.50	1,299.50	
Inspector of Animals Salary	220.00	220.00	
Inspector of Milk and Food Salary	350.00	350.00	
Inspector of Milk and Food Expense	50.00	50.00	
Care of Contagious Diseases	5,000.00	3,473.52	1,526.48

	Balance Appropriated from 1952 1953	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance Dec. 31
Premature Babies	500.00				500.00
Garbage Collection	6,500.00			6,500.00	
Dental Clinic	2,850.00			2,848.09	1.91
Child Welfare, Art. 53	500.00			500.00	
	\$ 19,963.00	\$ 100.00		\$ 18,021.74	\$ 2,041.26
Public Works					
Administrative Salaries	\$ 8,320.00			\$ 8,320.00	
Administrative Expense	1,450.00	\$ 771.00		2,174.36	46.64
Engineering Division Salaries	15,000.00			14,938.10	61.90
Engineering Division Expense	1,420.29	579.71		1,979.91	20.09
Consulting Engineers	4,000.00			4,062.50	9.78
Highway Maint. and Oper. Salaries	49,800.00	206.04		49,999.25	6.79
Highway Maint. and Oper. Expense	33,400.00			33,290.80	109.20
Chap. 90 Const., Charles St., 1951	5,069.74			4,872.22	197.52
Chap. 90 Const., Charles St., 1952	5,168.28			4,849.97	318.31
Chap. 90 Const., Charles St., 1953, Art. 32		12,000.00		15,725.59	1,274.41
Chap. 90 Maint., 1953, Art. 34	1,000.00	2,000.00		3,000.00	
Street Lighting	17,000.00			17,000.00	
Bear Hill Rd. Betterment Sals.	354.26		354.26		
Bear Hill Rd. Betterment Exp.	289.54		177.04	112.50	
Evergreen Rd. Betterment Sals.	671.01				671.01
Evergreen Rd. Betterment Exp.	647.14			225.00	422.14
Glenmere Circle Betterment Sals.	61.01		61.01		
Glenmere Circle Betterment Exp.	90.00		45.00	45.00	
Parkman Road Betterment Sals.	178.51		178.51		

Parkman Road Betterment Exp.	181.63	91.63	90.00	145.03
Tennyson Rd. Betterment Sals.	145.03			103.80
Tennyson Rd. Betterment Exp.	148.80		45.00	
Wadsworth Rd. Betterment Sals.	35.46	35.46		
Wadsworth Rd. Betterment Exp.	38.00	38.00		
Whittier Rd. Betterment Sals.	3.26	3.26		
Whittier Rd. Betterment Exp.	20.00	20.00		
Winslow Rd. Betterment Sals.	90.00			90.00
Winslow Rd. Betterment Exp.	90.00		45.00	45.00
Wentworth Rd. Betterment Sals.			1,110.37	29.63
Wentworth Rd. Betterment Exp.			959.98	290.02
Woodland St. Betterment Sals.			1,816.36	783.64
Woodland St. Betterment Exp.			1,943.98	425.02
Resurfacing Streets Salaries			67.91	232.09
Resurfacing Streets Expense			2,197.23	2.77
Resurfacing Mineral St. Bridge Salaries		250.00	706.53	
Resurfacing Mineral St. Bridge Expense			1,129.11	
Parking Area Cleaning Salaries			400.00	
Parking Area Cleaning Expense			80.00	
New High School Water Mains				27,000.00
New High School Access Roads				110,504.41
Pensions		120,000.00	22,495.59	
Maint. Storm Drains Sals.		901.08	8,101.08	
Maint. Storm Drains Exp.			6,500.00	.31
Drainage Constr. Salaries			3,699.69	
Drainage Constr. Expense		996.50	11,470.03	29.97
Sidewalk Constr. and Maint. Sals.			12,994.38	5.62
Sidewalk Constr. and Maint. Exp.			12,762.90	
Snow and Ice Removal Salaries		37.10	5,991.23	8.77
Snow and Ice Removal Expense			14,890.57	3,609.43
			15,964.43	535.57

	Balance from 1952	Appropriated 1953	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance Dec. 31
Sewer Maint. and Constr. Sals.		12,400.00	500.00		12,881.77	18.23
Sewer Maint. and Constr. Exp.		12,000.00			11,765.57	234.43
Sewer House Conn. Salaries		4,000.00	1,500.00		5,481.30	18.70
Sewer House Conn. Expense		2,500.00	800.00		3,163.97	136.03
John St. Dump Wages		4,600.00	37.10		4,637.10	
John St. Dump Expense		200.00			200.00	
Park Dept. Salaries		11,400.00			11,399.25	.75
Park Dept. Expense		5,000.00			4,944.31	55.69
Water Maint. and Oper. Sals.		52,000.00	10,000.00		54,449.06	7,550.94
Water Maint. and Oper. Exp.		54,049.49			47,963.33	6,086.16
Water — Debt		28,950.51	1,041.99		29,992.50	
Water Dept. Garage	23,930.97					23,930.97
Road Machinery Fund	20,809.11		20,801.63	20,800.00		20,810.74
Road Machinery Oper. Acct.	6,109.12	13,100.00	20,800.00		39,529.45	479.67
	<u>\$ 64,203.15</u>	<u>\$483,382.79</u>	<u>\$193,185.05</u>	<u>\$ 22,005.63</u>	<u>\$512,464.18</u>	<u>\$206,301.18</u>
Charities and Aid						
General Aid Adm. Salaries		\$ 5,550.00			\$ 5,524.63	\$ 25.37
General Aid Adm. Expense		760.00			580.71	179.29
General Aid		28,000.00		\$ 2,958.09	21,137.62	3,904.29
Aid to Dep. Children, Adm.		1,950.00			1,341.29	608.71
Aid to Dep. Children		16,000.00	\$ 29.34		14,383.07	1,646.27
A.D.C. Federal Grants, Adm.	\$ 250.13		1,266.90		1,133.23	383.80
A.D.C. Federal Grants, Aid	929.23		10,970.15		10,671.19	1,228.19
Old Age Assistance, Adm.		6,200.00	600.24		6,800.24	
Old Age Assistance		138,300.00			131,245.14	7,054.86

O.A.A. Federal Grants, Adm.	1,674.34			600.24	6,789.10	1,281.58
O.A.A. Federal Grants, Aid	5,546.50				86,028.44	6,822.59
Disability Assistance, Adm.		950.00			950.00	
Disability Assistance		9,700.00			7,832.98	1,867.02
D.A. Federal Grants, Adm.	145.56				631.88	234.13
D.A. Federal Grants, Aid	448.68				6,075.75	441.02
	<u>\$ 8,994.44</u>	<u>\$207,410.00</u>	<u>\$ 113,956.28</u>	<u>\$ 3,558.33</u>	<u>\$301,125.27</u>	<u>\$ 25,677.12</u>

Veterans' Benefits

Administrative Salaries	\$ 1,634.70				\$ 1,634.70	
Administrative Expense	600.00				524.29	75.71
Aid	12,000.00		\$ 600.00		12,589.50	10.50
	<u>\$ 14,234.70</u>		<u>\$ 600.00</u>		<u>\$ 14,748.49</u>	<u>\$ 86.21</u>

Education — Schools

General Salaries	\$531,392.59				\$529,119.91	\$ 2,272.68
General Maintenance	110,677.63				\$106,594.58	4,083.05
Vocational Tuition	3,000.00				2,968.97	31.03
Transportation	20,000.00				18,959.75	1,040.25
Athletics	\$ 810.06		\$ 4,911.28		9,146.10	775.24
Cafeterias	4,924.92		69,118.66		68,630.25	9,213.33
Teachers' Retirement		1,809.00			480.76	1,328.24
School Land Purchase Birch Meadow ...	2,155.20				1,700.00	455.20
Junior High School Repairs	1,500.00					1,500.00
Highland School Repairs	467.00					467.00
New High School Athletic Field Study ...	1,000.00					1,000.00
School Land Purchase Forest St.	55.00					55.00
School Land Purchase Tower Rd.	2,930.00	2,070.00			5,000.00	
	<u>\$ 13,842.18</u>	<u>\$675,949.22</u>	<u>\$ 74,029.94</u>		<u>\$742,600.32</u>	<u>\$ 22,221.02</u>

	Balance Appropriated from 1952	1953	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance Dec. 31
Public Library						
Salaries	\$ 12,281.00				\$ 11,835.22	\$ 445.78
Maintenance	5,930.00		\$ 209.20		6,131.95	\$ 7.25
	<u>\$ 18,211.00</u>		<u>\$ 209.20</u>		<u>\$ 17,967.17</u>	<u>\$ 453.03</u>
Unclassified						
Recreation	\$ 5,500.00				\$ 5,482.39	\$ 17.61
Insurance	24,375.05		\$ 10,750.16		34,051.56	1,073.65
Memorial Day Observance	1,838.00				1,733.65	104.35
Damage Claims	1,000.00		450.00		1,354.00	96.00
Care and Lighting of Old South Clock	200.00				172.67	27.33
Printing Town Report	1,475.00				1,475.00	
Printing Street List	825.00		36.80		861.80	
Parking Area Maintenance	200.00				193.55	6.45
Recording Fees — Reg. of Deeds	100.00				75.00	25.00
Contributory Fund — Pension	39,962.00				39,962.00	
Contributory Fund — Expense	1,275.00				1,275.00	
Contributory Fund — Military Service	483.20				483.20	
Land Court Expense, Art. 6	200.00				105.00	95.00
Legion Quarters Rent, Art. 49	1,500.00				1,500.00	
V.F.W. Quarters Rent, Art. 50	660.00				660.00	
Aid to Agriculture, Art. 54	100.00				98.67	1.33
Reserve Fund			25,000.00	\$ 3,792.76		21,207.24
Parking Area No. 2, Construction	\$ 12,000.00	8,000.00	1,700.00	206.04	19,266.38	2,227.58
Sewer Pumping Station Land Purchase			500.00		212.45	287.55
Unpaid 1952 Bill			50.00		50.00	
	<u>\$ 12,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 87,693.25</u>	<u>\$ 38,486.96</u>	<u>\$ 3,998.80</u>	<u>\$ 109,012.32</u>	<u>\$ 25,169.09</u>

Light Department

Maintenance	\$ 15,581.88	\$ 1,162,915.75	\$ 80,460.00	\$1,082,455.75	
Depreciation		80,460.00	44,138.22	47,442.56	4,461.10

\$ 15,581.88

	\$1,243,375.75	\$124,598.22	\$1,129,898.31	\$ 4,461.10
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Cemeteries

Salaries	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 126.84	\$ 21,061.72	\$ 65.12
Maintenance	2,500.00	3,804.36	6,300.84	3.52
Care of Soldiers' Graves, Art. 19	1,200.00		26.84	1,173.16

	\$ 24,700.00	\$ 3,931.20	\$ 26.84	\$ 28,535.72	\$ 68.64
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Municipal Indebtedness

Interest, not incl. Sewer, Light and Water	\$ 60,150.00		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 58,900.00	\$ 250.00
Maturing Debt, not incl. Light and Water	145,837.08	\$ 12,162.92		158,000.00	

Loans in Anticipation of Revenue

	\$205,987.08	\$ 12,162.92	\$ 1,000.00	\$216,900.00	\$ 250.00
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Agency, Trust and Investment

Dog License due County	\$ 75.60	\$ 3,112.00	\$ 3,136.00	\$ 51.60
Sporting Licenses due State	40.00	1,608.50	1,648.50	
Parker Hospital Fund — Income	2,239.36	23,128.80	13.80	23,033.89
Grouard Hospital Fund — Income		2,095.10		2,081.30
Grouard Hospital Fund — Transactions		1,389.95		1,389.95
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund				

Bequests

75.00

5,080.00

Interest

2,430.40

2,430.40

Transactions

2,127.30

2,127.30

R.H.S. Scholarship Fund — Income

252.50

252.50

	Balance	Appropriated	Other	Transfers	Payments	Balance
	from 1952	1953	Credits			Dec. 31
Grant Swimming Pool Fund — Income			35,609.96		35,609.96	
Torrey Library Fund						
Bequest			1,000.00		997.95	
Income			29.59		31.64	
Premium on Loans	13,204.91		399.80	13,204.91	399.80	
Tailings Account	437.76				51.07	386.69
Withholding Tax	10,695.43		139,987.15		137,167.47	13,515.11
Blue Cross — Blue Shield	1,331.65		16,012.73		15,837.05	1,507.33
Salvage Account	6,496.62		164.08		30.00	6,630.70
State Parks and Reservations			1,533.12		2,265.52	732.40
Audit Municipal Accounts			2,502.98		2,502.98	
Audit Retirement System			810.74		810.74	
Metropolitan Sewerage			29,697.16		29,163.76	533.40
County Tax			49,207.39		47,875.90	1,331.49
County T.B. Hospital			11,419.18		14,925.48	3,506.30
	<u>\$ 34,596.33</u>		<u>\$329,523.43</u>	<u>\$ 13,218.71</u>	<u>\$328,849.16</u>	<u>\$ 22,051.89</u>
Non-Revenue Accounts						
New High School Construction	\$2,098,878.99				\$1,392,513.62	\$ 706,365.37
New High School Sewer Const.		\$ 15,000.00	\$ 215,000.00		60,442.19	169,557.81
Library Addition Construction	178.17					178.17
Light Construction, Regular	64,303.71		21,181.52		23,227.69	62,262.54
Light Construction, Wilmington			1,632.71		1,632.71	
Light Construction, North Reading			150,000.00		20,712.42	129,287.58
Water Construction — Standpipe	139,115.91				116,696.89	22,419.02
Water Construction — Wells	109.92				109.92	

Portion of Loans Invested:

New High School Construction
 New High School Sewer Constr.
 Light, Sub-station Constr.

3,542,031.73
 288,688.10
 149,336.25

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\$2,302,591.70 \$ 15,000.00 \$4,367,870.31
 \$5,595,391.52 \$1,090,070.49

Refunds

Taxes, Assessments, Pub. Service Ent., etc.
 Departmental

\$ 11,099.29
 5,370.51

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 5,370.51

\$ 16,469.80

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Totals

\$2,457,706.04 \$2,054,406.27 \$6,395,528.99 \$168,474.18 \$9,326,109.70 \$1,413,057.42

REPORT OF THE CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

January 28, 1954

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The total active membership of the Contributory Retirement System on December 31, 1953 was two hundred and thirty-three.

The following is the financial statement for the year ending December 31, 1953:

Cash

Bal. Jan. 1, 1953 \$ 9,572.62

Receipts

1953 Receipts:

Invested Income	\$ 5,176.30
Contributed by Members	31,526.05
City of Melrose	93.56
Additional payments	2,253.40

Appropriated by Town:

Pension Fund	\$ 39,962.00
Expense Fund	1,275.00
Military Service Credit Fund	483.20

\$ 80,769.51

\$ 90,342.13

Expenditures

1953 Payments:

Investments	\$ 28,880.00
Expenses	1,187.62
Annuities	3,127.05
Pensions	38,763.25
Refunds to members	3,811.82
Refund (Option B-Pensioner)	973.45

\$ 76,743.19

Bal. Dec. 31, 1953 \$ 13,598.94

\$ 90,342.13

Assets

Cash, Middlesex County Natl. Bank, Reading	\$ 13,598.94
Deposit on Interest	26,000.00
Co-operative Shares	37,920.80
Federal Savings & Loan Association	7,307.11
U. S. Savings Bonds	191,000.00
Accrued Interest on Investments	1,462.62

\$277,289.47

Liabilities

Annuity Savings	\$176,726.20	
Annuity Reserve	35,605.14	
Pension Fund	61,573.46	
Special Military Service Credit	3,133.96	
Expense Fund	250.71	
		\$277,289.47

Contributory Retirement System
DONALD C. MITCHELL, Chairman
BOYD H. STEWART, Secretary
ARTHUR C. ALDRICH

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS

Gilman L. Parker Hospital Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$203,466.38
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Receipts:

Income from Savings Banks	\$ 2,122.06	
Income from U.S. Savings Bonds, Series G.	3,025.00	
Inc. from Stock of First Nat. Bank of Boston	290.00	5,437.06
Principal from Estate of Gilman L. Parker		19,800.00
		\$228,703.44

Disbursements:

Hospital Bills	\$ 920.05	
Safe Deposit Rent	10.00	\$ 930.05

Balance, December 31, 1953	227,773.39
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Invested as Follows:

Savings Banks	\$ 80,286.08	
U.S. Savings Bonds, Series G.	121,000.00	
First National Bank of Boston, 108 Shares	4,066.44	
Co-operative Bank Paid-Up Shares	20,087.40	
Home Bleach & Dye Works, Pfd., 20 Shares	11.00	
Sharp Mfg. Co., Preferred, 55 Shares	1.00	
Sharp Mfg. Co., Common, 20 Shares	1.00	
In General Cash	2,320.47	
		\$227,773.39

Anne S. Grouard Hospital Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953		\$ 87,814.51
Receipts:		
Income from Savings Banks	\$ 138.96	
Income from Co-op. Bank Shares	20.00	
Income from U.S. Savings Bonds, Series G	2,065.10	\$ 2,224.06
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Balance, December 31, 1953		\$ 90,038.57
Invested as Follows:		
Savings Banks	\$ 5,524.77	
Co-operative Bank Paid-Up Shares	2,000.00	
U.S. Savings Bonds, Series G	82,500.00	
In General Cash	13.80	
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		\$90,038.57

Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953		\$142,117.36
Receipts:		
Bequests	\$ 5,005.00	
Income from Savings Banks	1,291.75	
Income from Securities	2,415.40	\$ 8,712.15
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		\$150,829.51
Disbursements:		
For Work on Endowed Lots		\$ 2,404.36
Balance, December 31, 1953		\$148,425.15
Invested as Follows:		
Savings Banks	\$ 50,425.15	
Co-op. Bank Paid-up Shares	3,000.00	
U.S. Savings Bonds, Series G	95,000.00	
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		\$148,425.15

Public Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$ 1,081.43
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank	29.94
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	1,111.37
Disbursement for New Books	68.64
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Balance, December 31, 1953, in Savings Bank	\$ 1,042.73

Horace G. Wadlin Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$ 1,866.40
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank	51.68
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	\$ 1,918.08
Disbursement for New Books	140.56
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Balance, December 31, 1953, in Savings Bank	\$ 1,777.52

Donald N. Tuttle, Jr., Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$ 560.60
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank	13.38
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Balance, December 31, 1953, in Savings Bank	\$ 573.98

Edward Appleton Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$ 5,012.50
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank	151.49
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Balance, December 31, 1953, in Savings Bank	\$ 5,163.99

Charles Torrey Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$ 1,000.00
Receipts — Income from Securities	31.71
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Balance, December 31, 1953	\$ 1,031.71

R.H.S. Scholarship Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$ 5,188.20
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank	132.90
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	\$ 5,321.10
Disbursement — One Scholarship Payment	120.00
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Balance, December 31, 1953 in Savings Banks	\$ 5,201.10

Ethel E. Grant Swimming Pool Fund

From Estate of Ethel E. Grant, October 29, 1953, and deposited in Savings Bank	\$ 35,609.96
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Post War Rehabilitation Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$ 643.43
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank	15.36
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Balance, December 31, 1953 in Savings Banks	\$ 658.79

Stabilization Fund

Balance, January 1, 1953	\$ 82,818.45
Receipts — Income from Savings Banks	2,279.93
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Balance, December 31, 1953 in Savings Banks	\$ 85,098.38

I hereby certify that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 53, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I have audited the accounts of the Commissioners of Trust Funds, have examined the securities and verified bank balances, and report the foregoing to be a true and accurate statement, December 31, 1953.

BOYD H. STEWART,
Town Accountant

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